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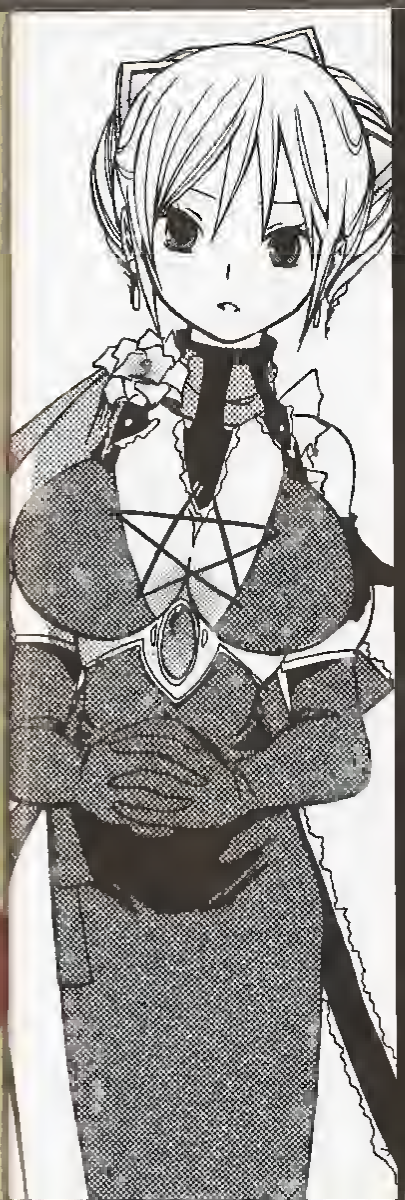
CLASSICAL
MEDLEY



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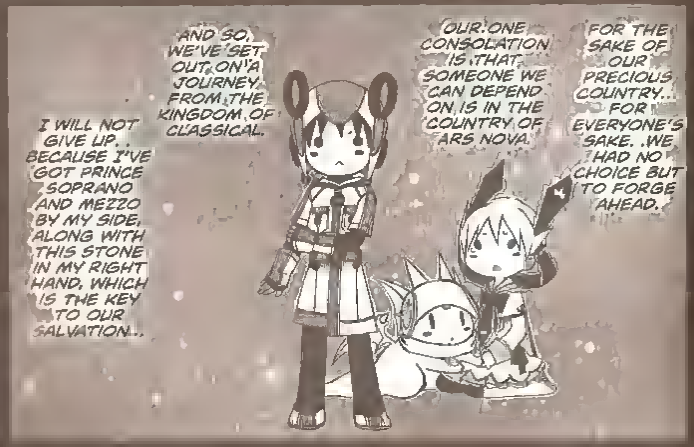
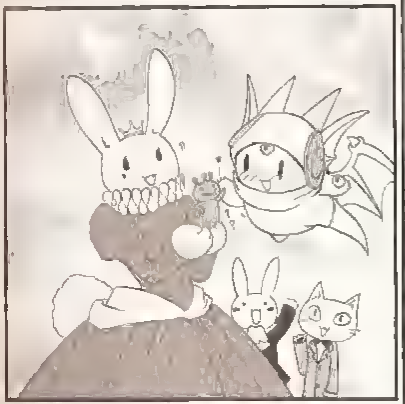
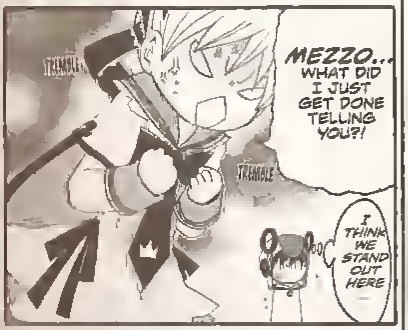
THE KINGDOM OF CLASSICAL
ONCE EVERY 100 YEARS IN THIS COUNTRY, AN EXCEEDINGLY IMPORTANT RITUAL TAKES PLACE
BUT THIS TIME AROUND, THE RITUAL FAILED
THE KIND KING BECAME TAINTED WITH DARKNESS...
AND MY FORMER COMRADES, AS WELL AS THE QUEEN, WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED US WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO ESCAPE, TURNED INTO OUR ENEMIES.


FOR THE SAKE OF OUR PRECIOUS COUNTRY... FOR EVERYONE'S SAKE. WE HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO FORGE AHEAD.
OUR ONE CONSOLATION IS THAT SOMEONE WE CAN DEPEND ON IS IN THE COUNTRY OF ARS NOVA.
AND SO, WE'VE SET OUT ON A JOURNEY FROM THE KINGDOM OF CLASSICAL.
I WILL NOT GIVE UP. BECAUSE I'VE GOT PRINCE SOPRANO AND MEZZO BY MY SIDE, ALONG WITH THIS STONE IN MY RIGHT HAND, WHICH IS THE KEY TO OUR SALVATION...

AND THE FASTEST WAY THERE IS BY CUTTING THROUGH ALLA MARCIA.
...IS TO GET TO ARS NOVA TO MEET MY BROTHER WITHOUT A MOMENT'S DELAY.
TWITCH TWITCH
OUR OBJECTIVE ...
!!
TH-THAT! MEZZO'S STUFFED ANIMAL!!
IT'S MOVING!
EEEE

WOW... WHY IS THE SKY PINK?
TH-THIS IS ALLA MARCIA?!



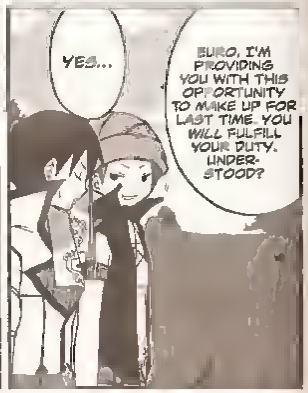

MEZZO... WHAT DID I JUST GET DONE TELLING YOU?!
I THINK WE STAND OUT HERE

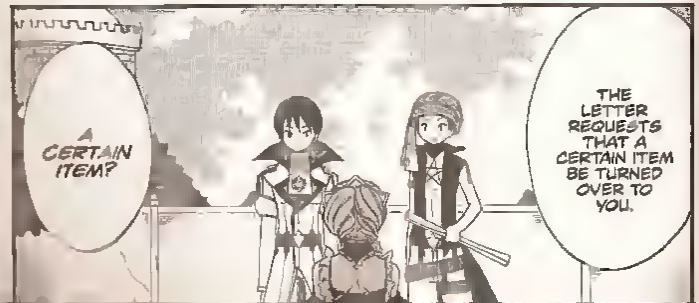
WELCOME TO ALLA★MARCIA
PLEASE COME AND STAY
HOTEL ALLA RABI
TOY FACTOR
THANKS A LOT!

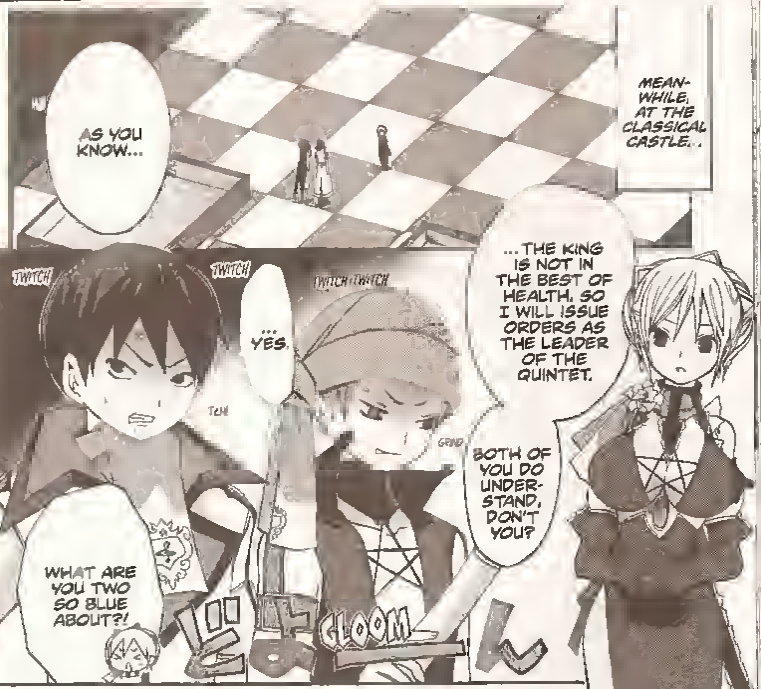
GYURRR♡
ALLA MARC
SPECIAL

GULP
...
ALTO AND THE OTHERS ARE MOST LIKELY HEADING FOR ALLA MARCIA.
...WON'T ABANDON HIS DUTY AND COME HOME, YES?
...IS THAT IF YOU TWO GO INTO BATTLE AND ONE GETS HURT, I'M SURE THE OTHER...

THERE'S ONE MORE THING.
EH?
AFTER GIVING THE LETTER TO THE RULER OF ALLA MARCIA, WE SHOULD CAPTURE ALTO AND RESCUE THE PRINCE, RIGHT?


YES...
EURO, I'M PROVIDING YOU WITH THIS OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE UP FOR LAST TIME. YOU WILL FULFILL YOUR DUTY. UNDERSTOOD?

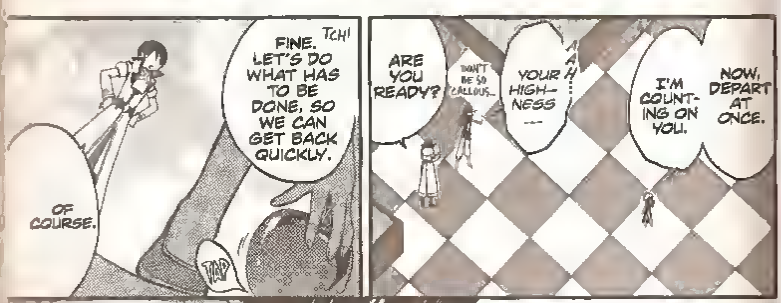

A CERTAIN ITEM?
THE LETTER REQUESTS THAT A CERTAIN ITEM BE TURNED OVER TO YOU.

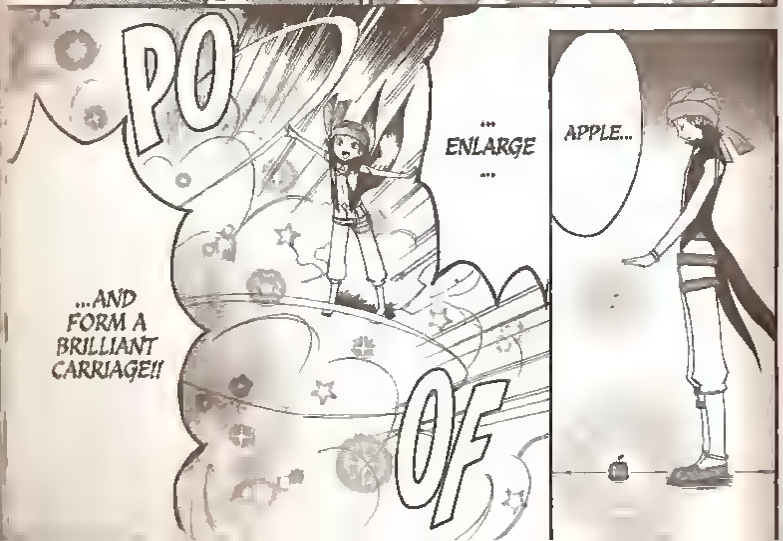

AS YOU KNOW...
MEAN-WHILE, AT THE CLASSICAL CASTLE...
TWITCH
TWITCH
TWITCH TWITCH
...YES.
TCH
GRIND
WHAT ARE YOU TWO SO BLUE ABOUT?!
BOTH OF YOU DO UNDER-STAND, DON'T YOU?
...THE KING IS NOT IN THE BEST OF HEALTH. SO I WILL ISSUE ORDERS AS THE LEADER OF THE QUINTET.
GLOOM

...ANOTHER REASON...
I WANT ENKA TO REMAIN BEHIND HERE IN CASE SOMETHING HAPPENS AND AS FOR ME, I WILL STAY BY THE KING'S SIDE...
AND ALTERNA IS INJURED...

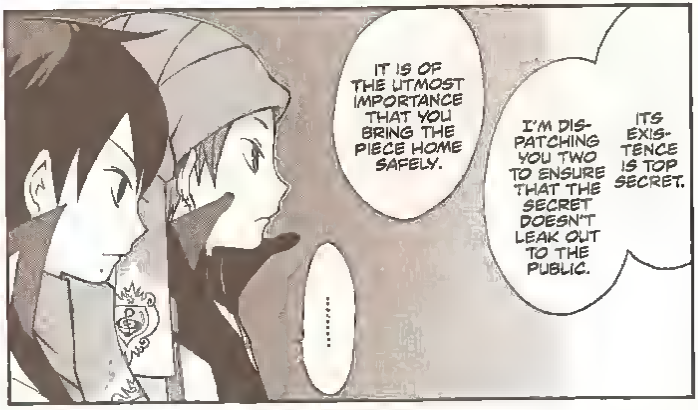
YOUR HIGHNESS!
I DON'T MIND GOING TO ALLA MARCIA TO DELIVER A LETTER TO THEIR RULER, BUT I DON'T WANNA GO WITH EURO!!
LET ME GO WITH YOU OR ENKA INSTEAD!!
I DON'T LIKE IT EITHER.
YOU KNOW THAT I DON'T GET ALONG WITH HIM!

THE ONLY THING I DO KNOW IS THAT AT PRESENT, MEDLEY IS BEING USED BY EACH OF OUR FIVE NEIGHBORS.
IT WAS SPLIT UP LONG, LONG AGO, SO I'M NOT SURE WHAT FORM THE PIECES TAKE...
I CAN'T PICTURE IT...
WHAT DOES THIS "MEDLEY" PIECE LOOK LIKE?
MMM?

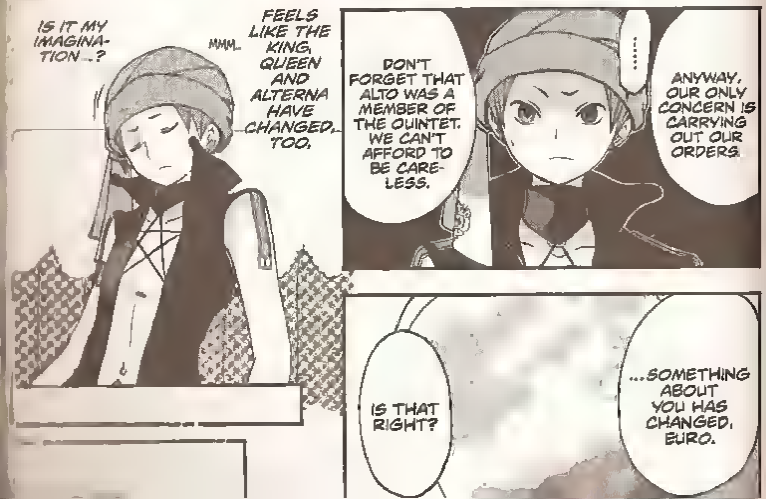

FINE. LET'S DO WHAT HAS TO BE DONE, SO WE CAN GET BACK QUICKLY.
TCH!
OF COURSE.
TAP
ARE YOU READY?
DON'T BE SO CALLOUS...
YOUR HIGH-NESS ---
I'M COUNT-ING ON YOU.
NOW, DEPART AT ONCE.

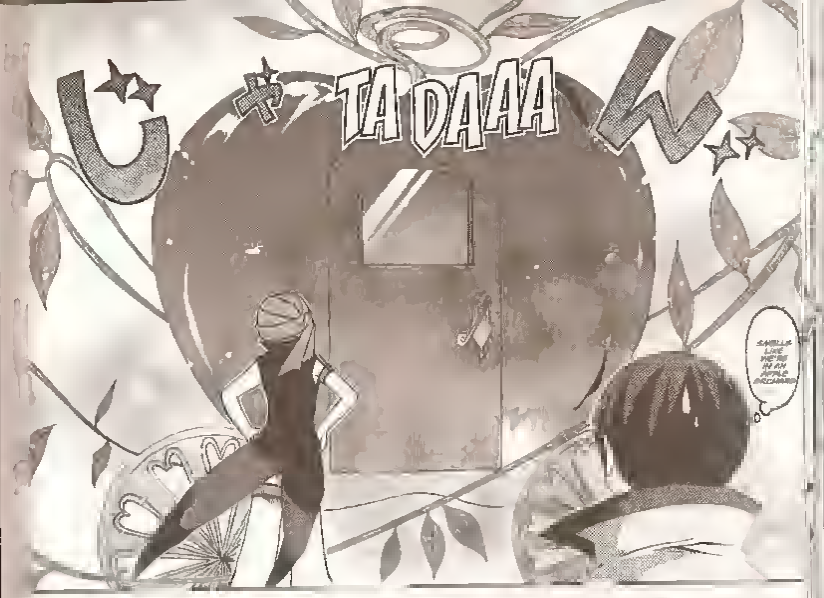

POOF
...ENLARGE...
...AND FORM A BRILLIANT CARRIAGE!!
APPLE...

I DON'T KNOW ITS ORIGIN, BUT THAT'S WHAT THE KING CALLED IT.
"MEDLEY."
IT SEEMS THAT LONG AGO IN THE KINGDOM OF CLASSICAL, THIS MEDLEY WAS SPLIT UP INTO FIVE PIECES. ONE PIECE WAS THEN GIVEN TO EACH KING IN FIVE NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES FOR SAFEKEEPING.

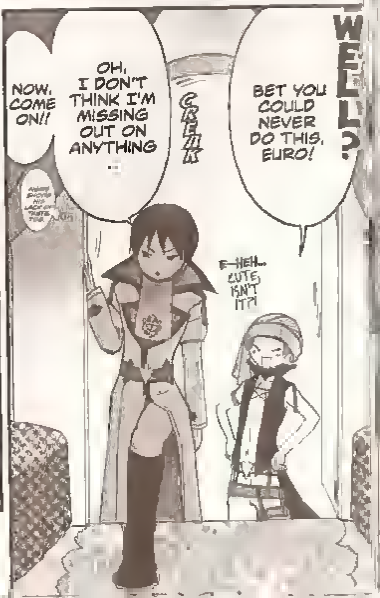

IT IS OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE THAT YOU BRING THE PIECE HOME SAFELY.
I'M DIS-PATCHING YOU TWO TO ENSURE THAT THE SECRET DOESN'T LEAK OUT TO THE PUBLIC.
ITS EXIS-TENCE IS TOP SECRET.
.....

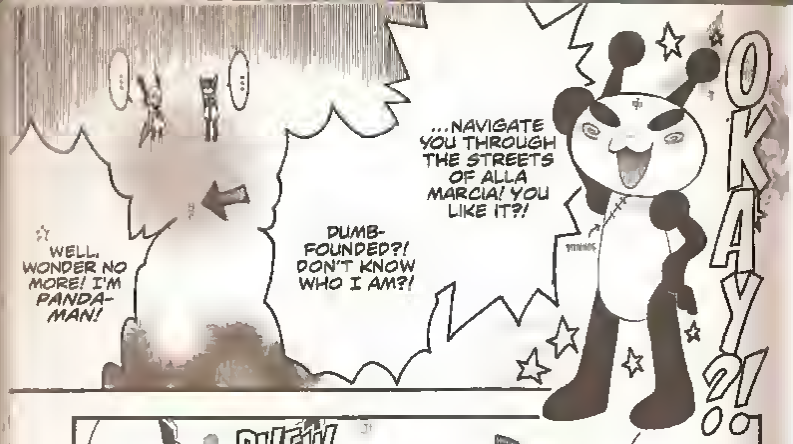
!
HEY, EURO, DO YOU THINK IT'LL BE OKAY, TAKING THAT MEDLEY PIECE BACK WHEN ALLA MARCIA IS USING IT FOR THEIR COUNTRY?
SURE. AFTER ALL, THERE WAS A TIME WHEN THEY DIDN'T HAVE IT.
SO WHEN WE TAKE THE MEDLEY, THE COUNTRY WILL GO BACK TO THE WAY IT WAS BEFORE, THAT'S ALL.

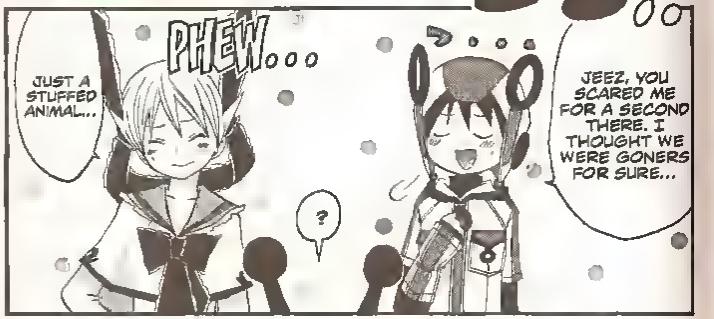

IS IT MY IMAGINATION...?
MMM.
FEELS LIKE THE KING, QUEEN AND ALTERNA HAVE CHANGED, TOO.
DON'T FORGET THAT ALTO WAS A MEMBER OF THE QUINTET. WE CAN'T AFFORD TO BE CARELESS.
.....
ANYWAY, OUR ONLY CONCERN IS CARRYING OUT OUR ORDERS.
IS THAT RIGHT?
...SOMETHING ABOUT YOU HAS CHANGED, EURO.

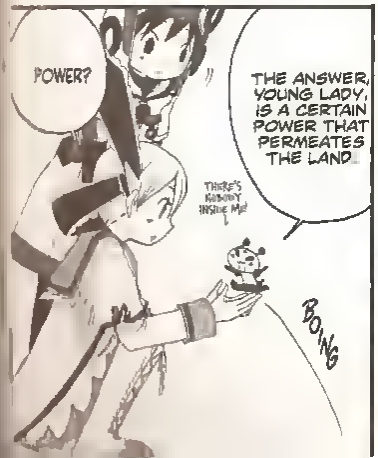

TA DAAA
SMELLS LIKE WE'RE IN AN APPLE ORCHARD.

FWOOSH
WHAT?! THAT'S NOT WHY I'M ANNOYED!
YOU SHOULDN'T BE CROSS WITH ME! IT'S NOT MY FAULT YOU CAN'T BE WITH YOUR BROTHER!

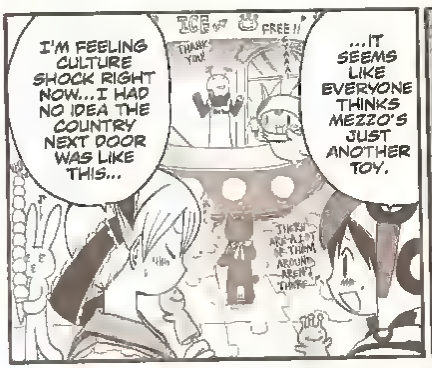

WELL?
BET YOU COULD NEVER DO THIS, EURO!
GRRR
OH, I DON'T THINK I'M MISSING OUT ON ANYTHING
NOW, COME ON!!
AHEM! EVEN IF I DON'T HAVE THAT, I...
F-HEH. CUTE, ISN'T IT?


WELL, WONDER NO MORE! I'M PANDA-MAN!
DUMB-FOUNDED?! DON'T KNOW WHO I AM?!
...NAVIGATE YOU THROUGH THE STREETS OF ALLA MARCIA! YOU LIKE IT?!
OKAY?!


PHEW...
JUST A STUFFED ANIMAL...
?
JEEZ, YOU SCARED ME FOR A SECOND THERE. I THOUGHT WE WERE GONERS FOR SURE...


POWER?
THE ANSWER, YOUNG LADY, IS A CERTAIN POWER THAT PERMEATES THE LAND.
THERE'S SOMEBODY INSIDE ME!
BOING

FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE, THAT'S REALLY PECULIAR. HOW DO INANIMATE OBJECTS COME TO LIFE?
EVEN MEZZO'S STUFFED ANIMAL CAME ALIVE WHEN WE NEARED THE GATE...
WHICH REMINDS ME, NOT ONLY ARE THERE TONS OF TOYS IN THIS COUNTRY... BUT THEY'RE ALL WALKING AROUND.
STARE


I'M FEELING CULTURE SHOCK RIGHT NOW... I HAD NO IDEA THE COUNTRY NEXT DOOR WAS LIKE THIS...
ICE
FREE!!
THANK YOU!
...IT SEEMS LIKE EVERYONE THINKS MEZZO'S JUST ANOTHER TOY.

COOL♡
HERE YOU ARE! ORANGE FLAVOR ICE CREAM!

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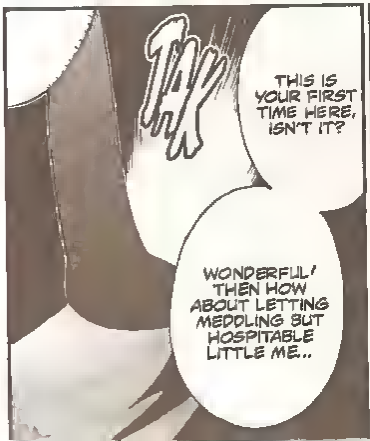
TWITCH
TWITCH
DUN
DUN
HEY! YOU TWO!!

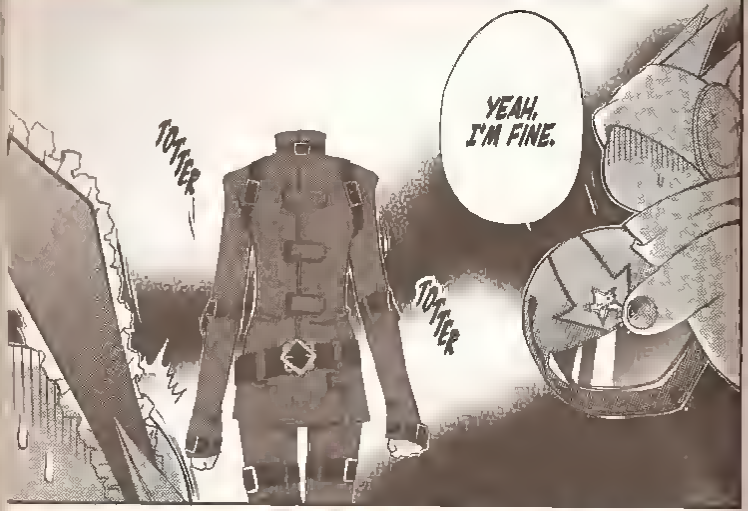

THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME HERE, ISN'T IT?
WONDERFUL! THEN HOW ABOUT LETTING MEDDLING BUT HOSPITABLE LITTLE ME..

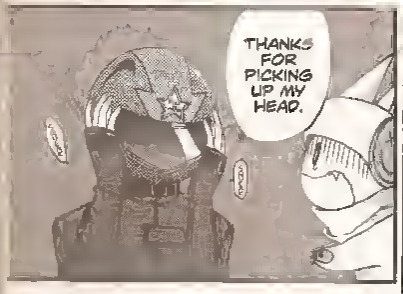
DESPITE APPEARANCES, MAYBE THIS COUNTRY KEEPS A CLOSE WATCH ON NEW-COMERS.
TH-THEY FOUND US OUT AFTER ALL.

?!
KYAAAA! NOOOO!
GOOD FOR YOU, MEZZO. YOUR TWO FAVORITE CHARACTERS COME TO LIFE.
KYAAAA!
HE'S GOT A NASTY MOUTH...
HEY! LET ME GO, DAMMIT!
STOP FOLLOWING ME!
W-WHAT'S THAT...?!
KOLOR KOLOR
KYAAA!
LOOK OUT!!
SHIVER

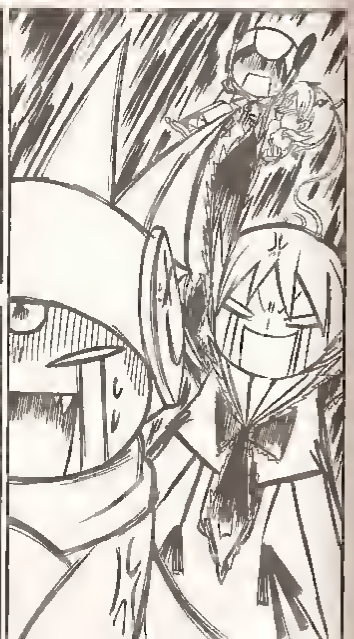
I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS OR WHY IT'S HERE, BUT THANKS TO THIS MYSTERIOUS FORCE...
...WE TOYS ARE ALIVE AND MAKE UP THE MAJORITY OF THE POPULATION OF THIS COUNTRY.
SINCE LONG AGO, THERE'S BEEN A MIRACULOUS POWER IN ALLA MARCIA WHICH BESTOWS LIFE ON TOYS!

DUN DUN
WHAT?!
M...
TWITCH
WHOA!
CYAAA!
AHHH... I THOUGHT I'D SEEN HIM BEFORE SOMEWHERE. HE WAS A CHARACTER IN A MUSCLEMAN BOOK I HAD...
R-REALLY?
CRRRYA
RARRR!
MUSCLEMAN!! MY ARCHENEMY!
DUNDUNDUN
CRACKKKK
RIVALS
MUSCLEMAN
BANDAMAN


YEAH, I'M FINE.
TOTTER
TOTTER


THANKS FOR PICKING UP MY HEAD.

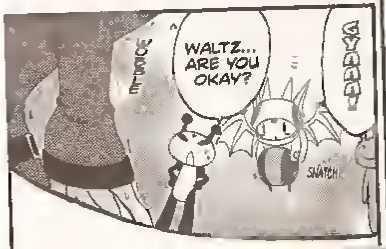
WALTZ, KANON GOT AWAY AGAIN?! BROTHER, YOU'VE GOT IT ROUGH!
YEAH, WELL...
POK



FWU
!!
MP

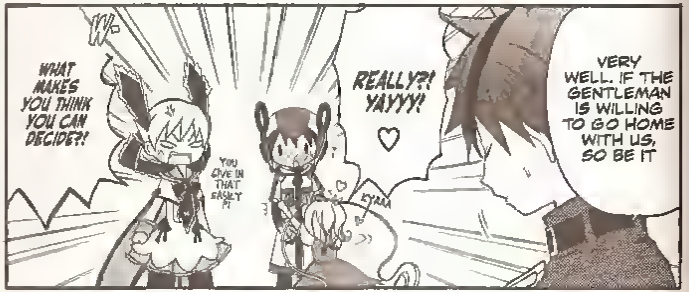
KYAAAA!
FWOO
KANON!

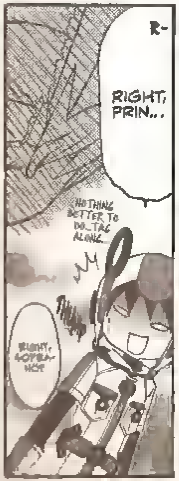
!!
ROLL ROLL...
THE PERSON WHO WAS CHASING HER CRASHED ...
I DON'T LIKE THE SOUND HE MADE WHEN HE HIT THE GROUND...
AHH...

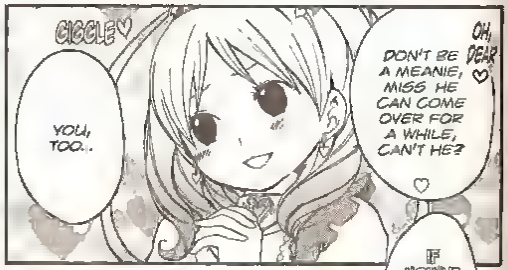

WALTZ... ARE YOU OKAY?
SWATCH
SWOOP

WHOOOM!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
COOL!
WAAAA
Y- YES!
TAP

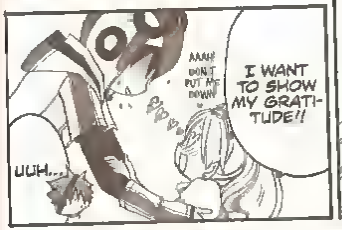
I CAN'T STAND TO SEE KANON GETTING ATTACHED TO ANOTHER..
HEY...
YOUR NAME IS ALTO? WHAT A BEAUTIFUL NAME.
UM...
WHAT I MEAN TO SAY IS THAT SHE'S GOT SEVERAL OFFICIAL DUTIES LEFT TO...NEVER MIND.
FAWN
FAWN

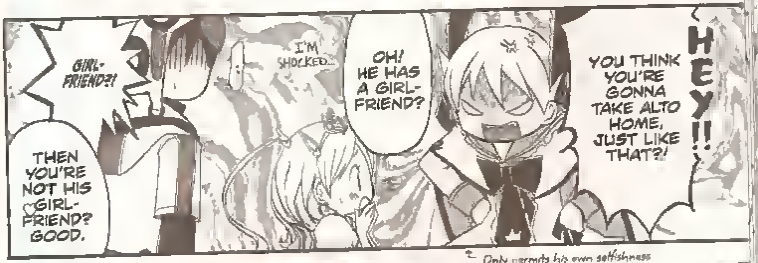

VERY WELL. IF THE GENTLEMAN IS WILLING TO GO HOME WITH US, SO BE IT
REALLY?! YAYYY!
WHAT MAKES YOU THINK YOU CAN DECIDE?!
YOU GIVE IN THAT EASILY?!
EYAA





COME ON, KANON!! LET'S GO HOME!!
YOU COULD'VE GOTTEN REALLY HURT JUST NOW!! WE CAN'T HAVE THAT!!
FLYING WITHOUT A HELMET IS DANGEROUS!
DUN
DUN

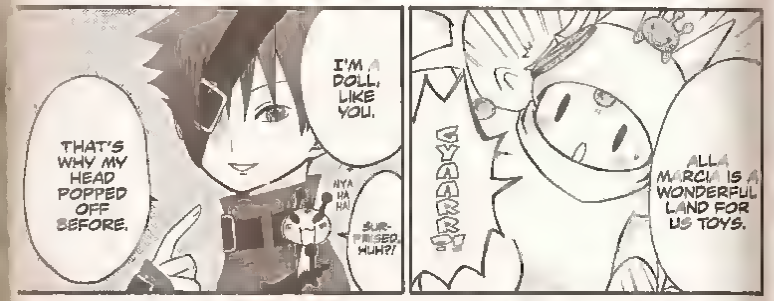



HEY!!
YOU THINK YOU'RE GONNA TAKE ALTO HOME, JUST LIKE THAT?!
OH! HE HAS A GIRL-FRIEND?
I'M SHOCKED...
GIRL-FRIEND?!
THEN YOU'RE NOT HIS GIRL-FRIEND? GOOD.

Only permits his own selfishness

HEY, WALTZ!
KANON'S TAKEN A LIKING TO THE BOY AND IT IS THEIR FIRST TIME HERE...
...SO MAKE 'EM FEEL WELCOME! ROLL OUT THE RED CARPET!
...TSS!

IT FEELS GOOD TO COME HERE AND BE ABLE TO MOVE AROUND, DOESN'T IT?
TOY SHOP
STRAWBERRY
ARE YOU THE TOY OF THOSE TWO?


I'M A DOLL, LIKE YOU.
THAT'S WHY MY HEAD POPPED OFF BEFORE.
NYA HA HA!
SURPRISED, HUH?!
GYAAARR!
ALL MARCIA IS A WONDERFUL LAND FOR US TOYS.

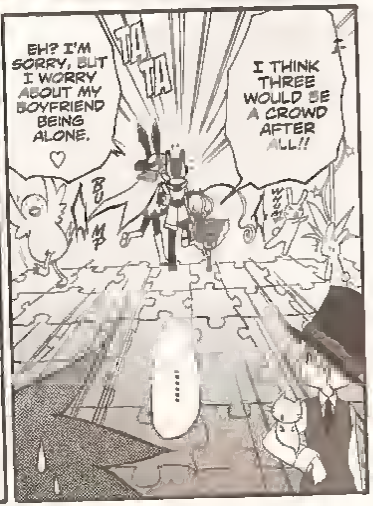
.....
AH... YEAH... SORRY ...
TAKE WALTZ. HERE... ISN'T HE CUTE...?
THIS IS WHERE YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO INTRODUCE SOMETHING FUNNY OR ANGRY OR ANYTHING!
MMM..
HA HA HA!
IT'S HARD TO TELL SOME OF US APART FROM THE HUMANS!
GYAAARR!
THERE

AFTER ALL, I AM YOUR GIRLFRIEND! WE HAVE TO BE TOGETHER!
CHICK
WHA ...?!

I'D BE GLAD TO TAKE MISS KANON UP ON HER KIND INVITATION.
WHY NOT, ALTO ...?
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
The demon in Soprano awakens!!

... RRR ...

...SHALL WE GO?
THIS SHOULD BE GOOD ...!
GYAAARR!


EH? I'M SORRY, BUT I WORRY ABOUT MY BOYFRIEND BEING ALONE.
I THINK THREE WOULD BE A CROWD AFTER ALL!!
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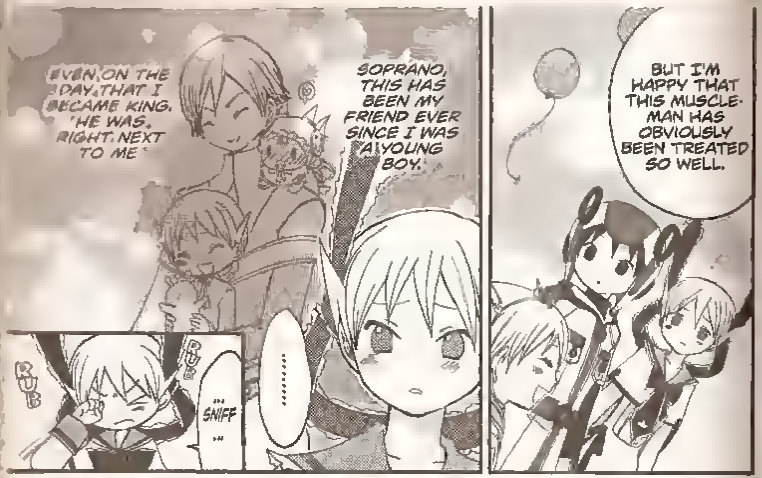
EVEN ON THE DAY THAT I BECAME KING, HE WAS, RIGHT, NEXT TO ME.
SOPRANO, THIS HAS BEEN MY FRIEND EVER SINCE I WAS A YOUNG BOY.
BUT I'M HAPPY THAT THIS MUSCLEMAN HAS OBVIOUSLY BEEN TREATED SO WELL.
BUB
BUB
... SNIFF ...
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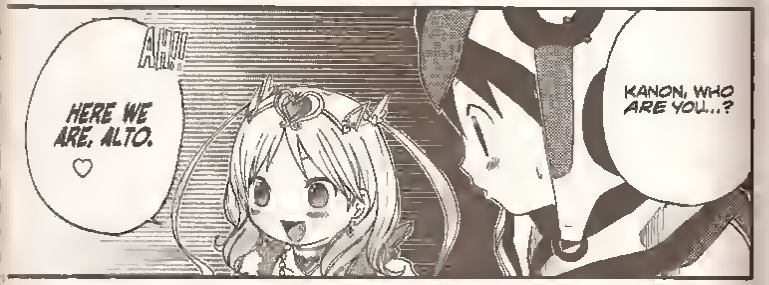
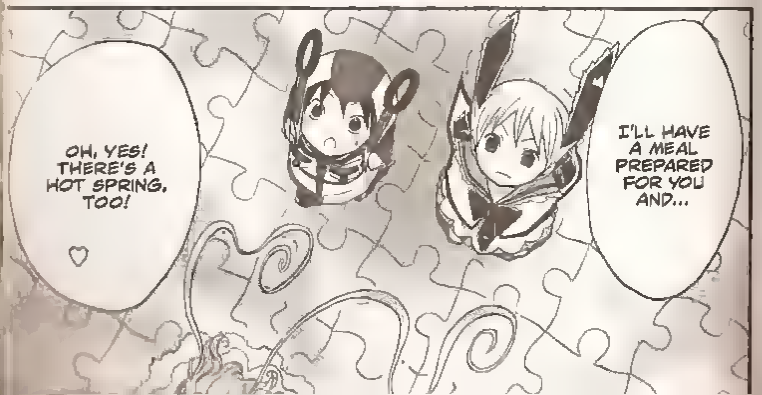
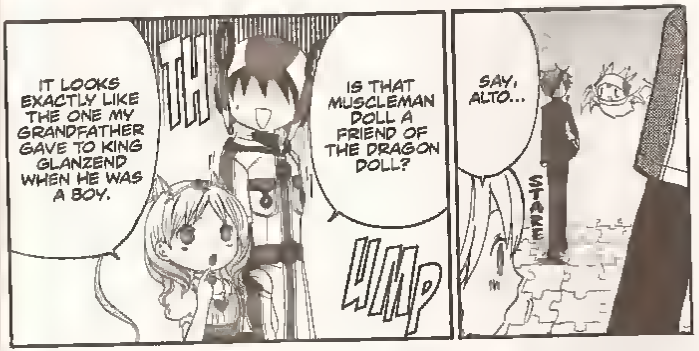
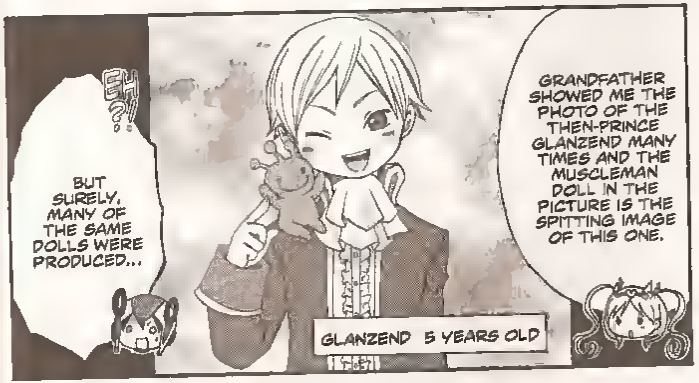
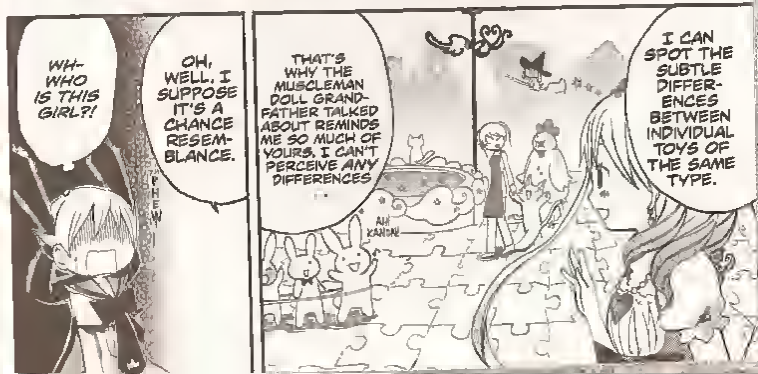

AHH
HERE WE ARE, ALTO.
KANON, WHO ARE YOU...?

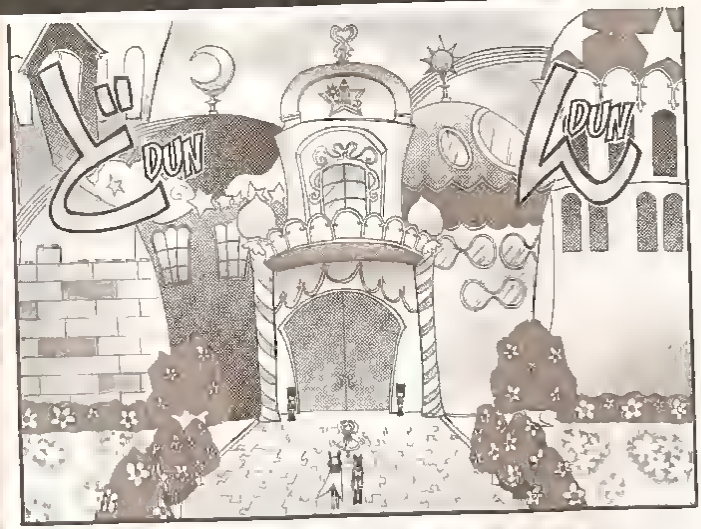

OH, YES! THERE'S A HOT SPRING, TOO!
I'LL HAVE A MEAL PREPARED FOR YOU AND...

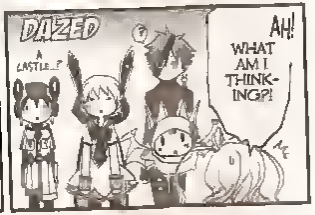

IT LOOKS EXACTLY LIKE THE ONE MY GRANDFATHER GAVE TO KING GLANZEND WHEN HE WAS A BOY.
IS THAT MUSCLEMAN DOLL A FRIEND OF THE DRAGON DOLL?
HMP
SAY, ALTO...
STARE

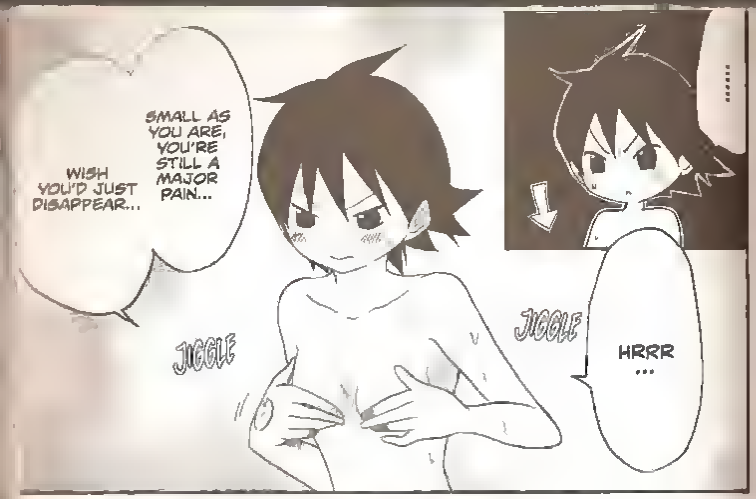

EH??
BUT SURELY, MANY OF THE SAME DOLLS WERE PRODUCED...
GRANDFATHER SHOWED ME THE PHOTO OF THE THEN-PRINCE GLANZEND MANY TIMES AND THE MUSCLEMAN DOLL IN THE PICTURE IS THE SPITTING IMAGE OF THIS ONE.
GLANZEND 5 YEARS OLD


WH-WHO IS THIS GIRL?!
OH, WELL, I SUPPOSE IT'S A CHANCE RESEMBLANCE.
PHEW
THAT'S WHY THE MUSCLEMAN DOLL GRANDFATHER TALKED ABOUT REMINDS ME SO MUCH OF YOURS. I CAN'T PERCEIVE ANY DIFFERENCES
AH KANON
I CAN SPOT THE SUBTLE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN INDIVIDUAL TOYS OF THE SAME TYPE.

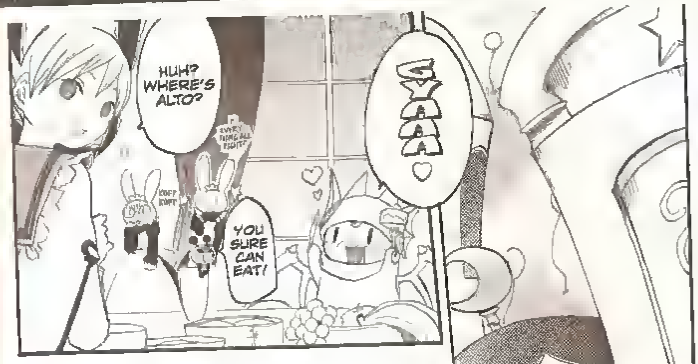
OP8: Where We Go From Here

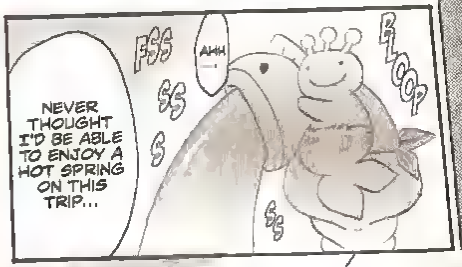




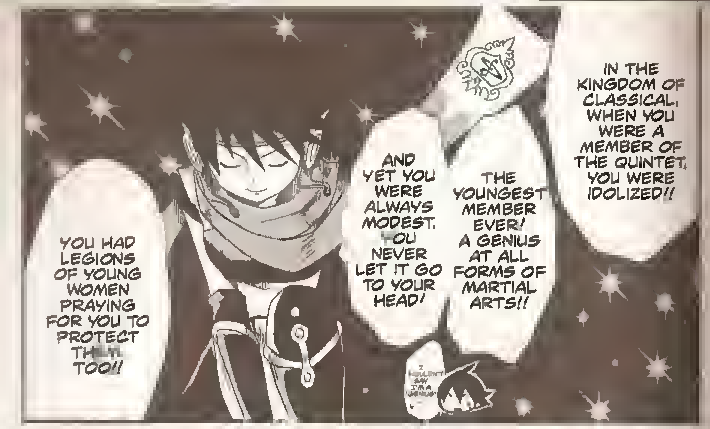

WISH YOU'D JUST DISAPPEAR...
SMALL AS YOU ARE, YOU'RE STILL A MAJOR PAIN...
JIGGLE
.....
JIGGLE
HRRR ...

AHHH, THAT FEELS GOOD ...
MMM ...
FOOO
WHY COULDN'T YOU BE MUSCLE INSTEAD?
IT'S BECAUSE OF YOU THAT I HAD TO EVADE THE PRINCE WHEN HE WAS TRYING TO GIVE ME MEDICAL TREATMENT!
BECAUSE OF SOME USELESS FAT ON MY CHEST!!
!!
...AL...
...TO...
OH...

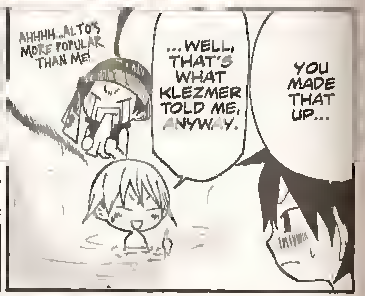

HUH? WHERE'S ALTO?
EVERYBODY'S ALL NAKED!
DON'T RUN!
YOU SURE CAN EAT!
YAAA♡

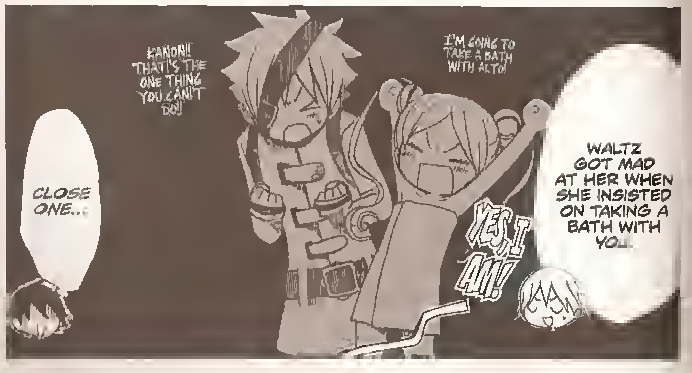

NEVER THOUGHT I'D BE ABLE TO ENJOY A HOT SPRING ON THIS TRIP...
AHH...
FSS
SS
S
BLOOP
SS

IT DOESN'T GET ANY BETTER THAN THIS!♡
ASH
SPL


IN THE KINGDOM OF CLASSICAL, WHEN YOU WERE A MEMBER OF THE QUINTET, YOU WERE IDOLIZED!!
THE YOUNGEST MEMBER EVER! A GENIUS AT ALL FORMS OF MARTIAL ARTS!!
AND YET YOU WERE ALWAYS MODEST. YOU NEVER LET IT GO TO YOUR HEAD!
YOU HAD LEGIONS OF YOUNG WOMEN PRAYING FOR YOU TO PROTECT THEM, TOO!!

EVEN NOW, YOU'VE GOT KANON HEAD OVER HEELS FOR YOU.


AHHHH...ALTO'S MORE POPULAR THAN ME!
...WELL, THAT'S WHAT KLEZMER TOLD ME. ANYWAY.
YOU MADE THAT UP...


KANON!! THAT'S THE ONE THING YOU CAN'T DO!
I'M GOING TO TAKE A BATH WITH ALTO!
CLOSE ONE...
YES! AW!
WALTZ GOT MAD AT HER WHEN SHE INSISTED ON TAKING A BATH WITH YOU.

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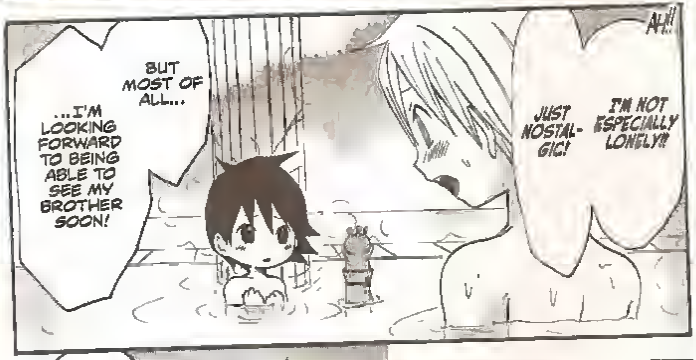
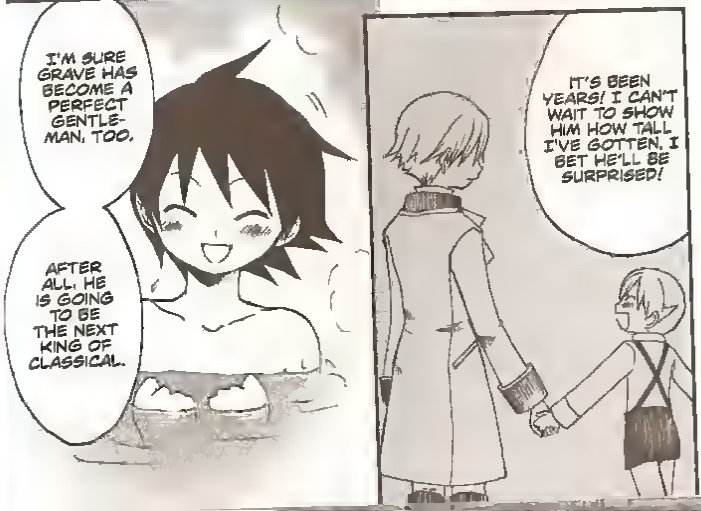
My dear Soprano
Heppppp! It's your big bro, Grave! I got the highest score on all the tests at university again. Easy-schmeezy! By the way, is it winter soon? I'm always running around so I didn't notice the changing of the seasons until I saw a neighborhood dog with snow running do
Oh, yeah. I'll send you a picture of us together.
Tell Alto and Mezzo I said hi.
← LATEST LETTER
Cute, friendly dog
Mezzo
MMM...I'M SURE...
ALTHOUGH SOME THINGS NEVER CHANGE...

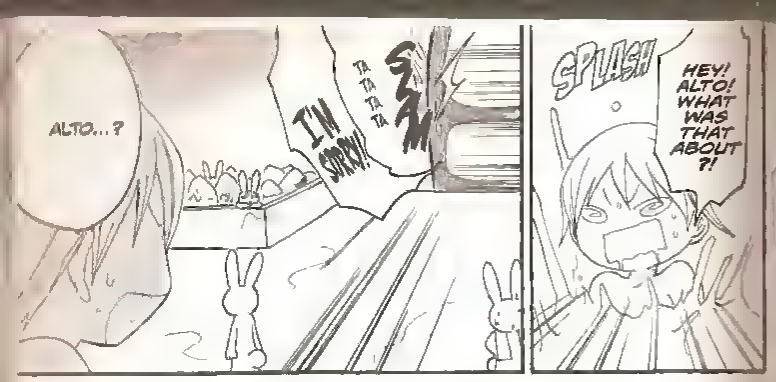
EH...?
BUT FOR TONIGHT, OUR BODIES COULD USE A LITTLE REST!
HE'LL BE SEEING THE THREE OF US IN ARS NOVA BEFORE HE KNOWS IT!!
NAHAHA
OKAY...
?
HHH...
PRINCE SOPRANO?!
...WE'VE GOT TO WASH OUR FATIGUE AWAY.
FIRST...
SPL
OOSH
?
♡

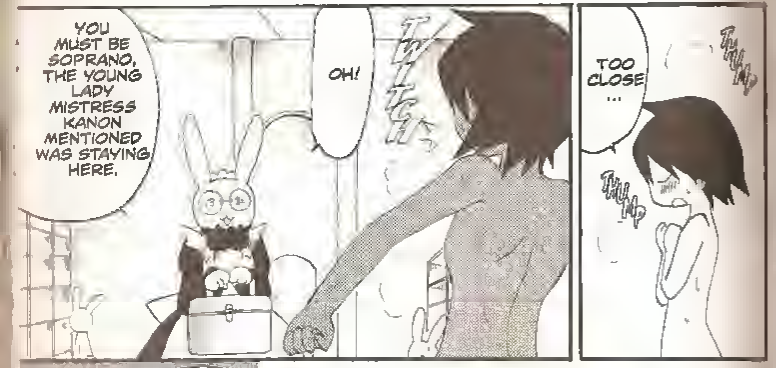
FATHER ALWAYS SEEMED BUSY EVERY DAY, TOO.
.....
IT'S HARD TO BE A RULER.
ANYWAY, AFTER THAT, SOMETHING SUDDENLY CAME UP AND SHE RETURNED TO HER DUTIES.

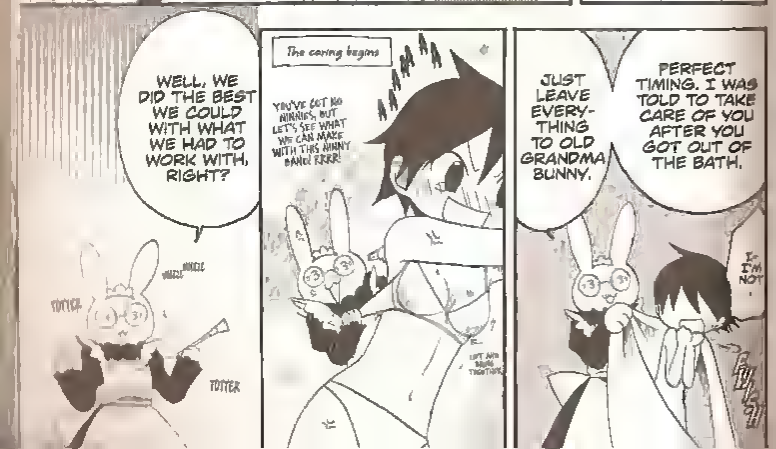

...I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO BEING ABLE TO SEE MY BROTHER SOON!
BUT MOST OF ALL...
AH!!
JUST NOSTAL-GIC!
I'M NOT ESPECIALLY LONELY!!

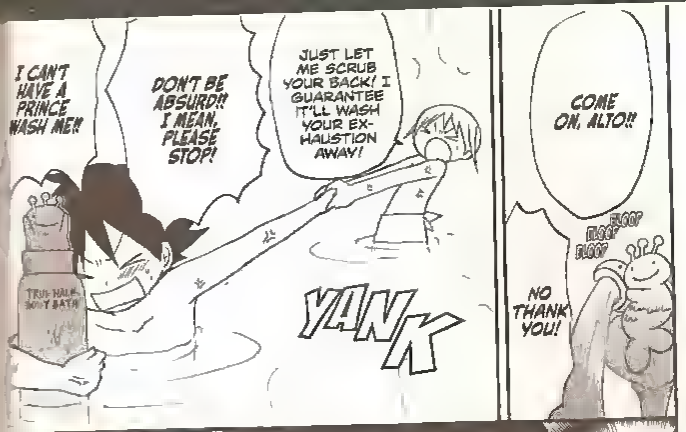

I'M SURE GRAVE HAS BECOME A PERFECT GENTLE-MAN, TOO.
AFTER ALL, HE IS GOING TO BE THE NEXT KING OF CLASSICAL.
IT'S BEEN YEARS! I CAN'T WAIT TO SHOW HIM HOW TALL I'VE GOTTEN. I BET HE'LL BE SURPRISED!

I DON'T BELIEVE IT!!
IT'S MR. WATER CLOSET!
AHHH
TOK
...TO BE YOUR GUIDE IN ALLA MARCIA?
...?!
HE'S SO COOL
I'M GOING TO TURN ALL OF THE TREES IN THE WORLD INTO TOILET PAPER!!
HE'S THE BADDEST BAD GUY IN THE MUSCLEMAN STORIES! CRUEL!! COLD-BLOODED!! VILLAINOUS THROUGH AND THROUGH!!
HE'S THE COLD CALCULATING KIND OF BAD GUY, THE TYPE THAT'LL DO ANYTHING TO ACHIEVE HIS GOAL!!
WHAT CAN MUSCLEMAN AND PANDAMAN DO TO STOP HIM?!
HIS IMAGE
EH?!
YOU DON'T KNOW?!
HOW CAN IT BE?
...WHAT IS THAT...?
TINY
YEAH, YEAH
I'M MOVING ON...
I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THIS
SPIN
YOU HAVE NO RESPECT!
IF HE WERE MY UNDERLING I WOULD'VE KILLED HIM BY NOW.
YOU DON'T TURN YOUR BACK ON MR WATER CLOSET!
EURGH
SIGH
YOU DON'T SAY?
HA HA
DRSYN
WE FINALLY MADE IT TO ALLA MARCIA...
BUT WHAT ODD SCENERY... PINK SKY...
REALLY? I THINK IT'S ADORABLE.
DUN
DUN
?!
YOU TWO!
FOO
I FELT IT LOUD AND CLEAR SINCE WE ENTERED. BUT THIS COUNTRY'S FULL OF SOME INCREDIBLY POWERFUL MAGIC.
IT SEEMS THAT'S WHAT TURNED THE SKY PINK AND MADE ALL THESE STUFFED ANIMALS COME TO LIFE.
TAK
THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME VISITING THIS COUNTRY, ISN'T IT?
WOULD YOU LIKE A GENTLEMAN SUCH AS MYSELF ...

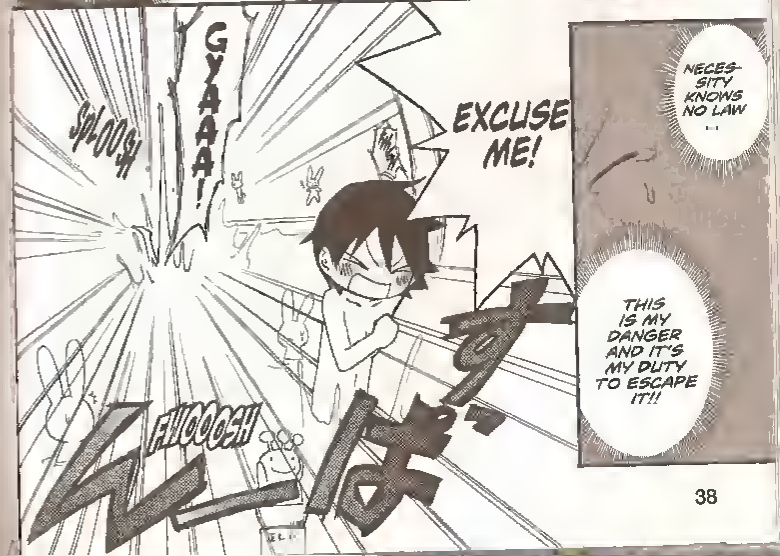

ALTO...?
I'M SORRY!
SPLASH!
HEY! ALTO! WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT?!

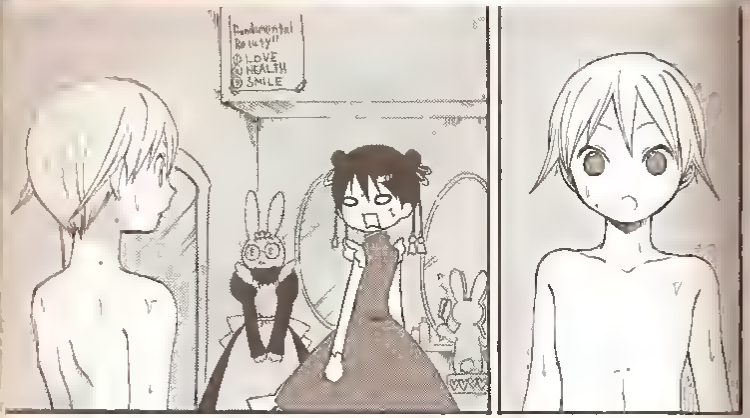

YOU MUST BE SOPRANO, THE YOUNG LADY MISTRESS KANON MENTIONED WAS STAYING HERE.
OH!
TOO CLOSE...

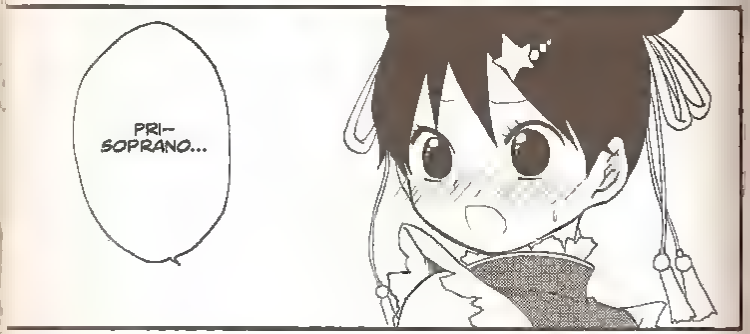

WELL, WE DID THE BEST WE COULD WITH WHAT WE HAD TO WORK WITH, RIGHT?
TOTTER
TOTTER
The caring begins
JUST LEAVE EVERYTHING TO OLD GRANDMA BUNNY.
PERFECT TIMING. I WAS TOLD TO TAKE CARE OF YOU AFTER YOU GOT OUT OF THE BATH.
I'M NOT.


I CAN'T HAVE A PRINCE WASH ME!
DON'T BE ABSURD! I MEAN, PLEASE STOP!
JUST LET ME SCRUB YOUR BACK! I GUARANTEE IT'LL WASH YOUR EXHAUSTION AWAY!
YANK
COME ON, ALTO!!
FLOOP FLOOP FLOOP
NO THANK YOU!

IN A WAY, THIS IS THE WORST PINCH I'VE BEEN IN!
WHAT SHOULD I DO?

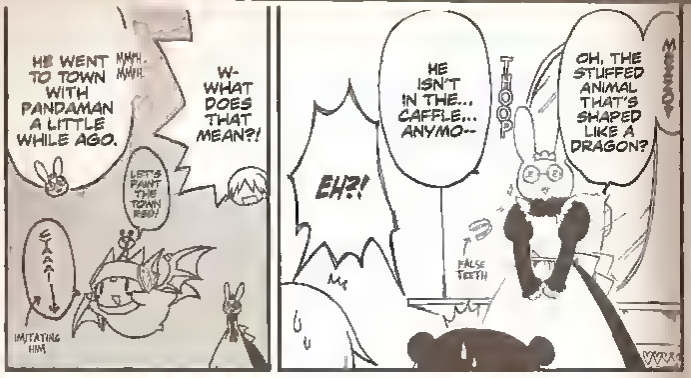

SPLOOSH
GYAAA!
EXCUSE ME!
NECESSITY KNOWS NO LAW...
THIS IS MY DANGER AND IT'S MY DUTY TO ESCAPE IT!!
FWOOOSH!!

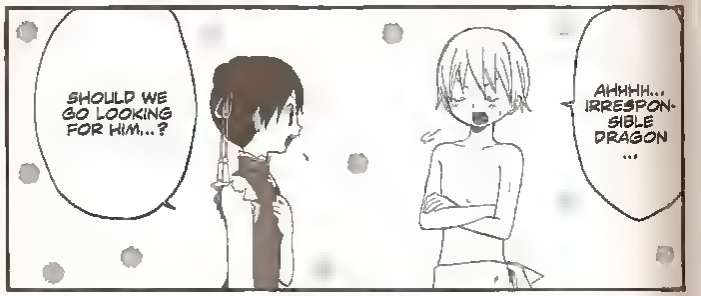

Fundamental Beauty!!
① LOVE
② HEALTH
③ SMILE

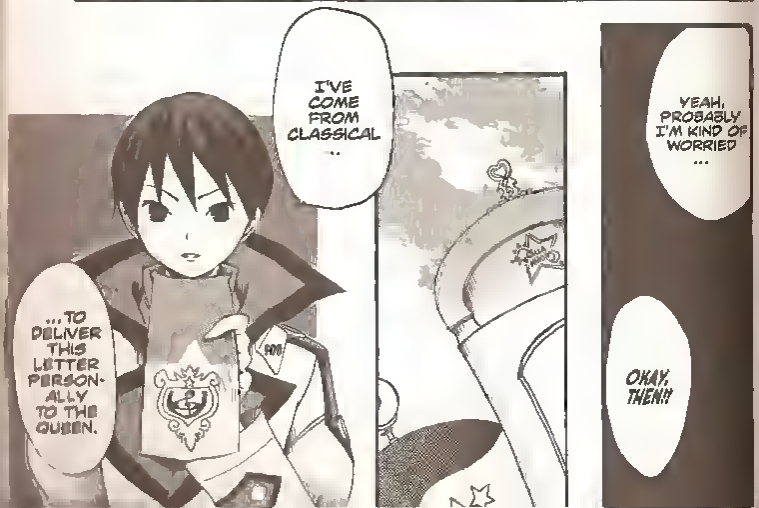

PRI-
SOPRANO...

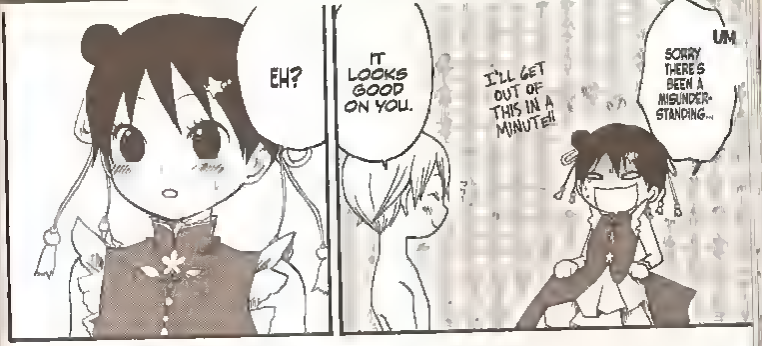
ALTO?
EH ...?
AH ...

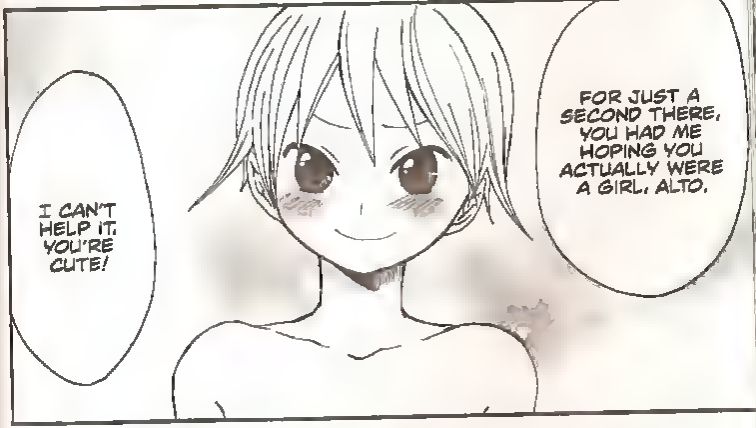
NOW YOU LOOK LIKE A LOVELY YOUNG LADY.
AHHH...
VERY NICE.
YOU STILL HAVE NO MANNERS TO SPEAK OF, BUT.
I'D BET ANYTHING WOULD LOOK PRETTY ON YOU.
IS THIS ME?
TA-DAA
IT'S THE FIRST TIME ANYONE'S EVER FIXED MY HAIR, TOO...
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE WORN ANYTHING LIKE THIS.

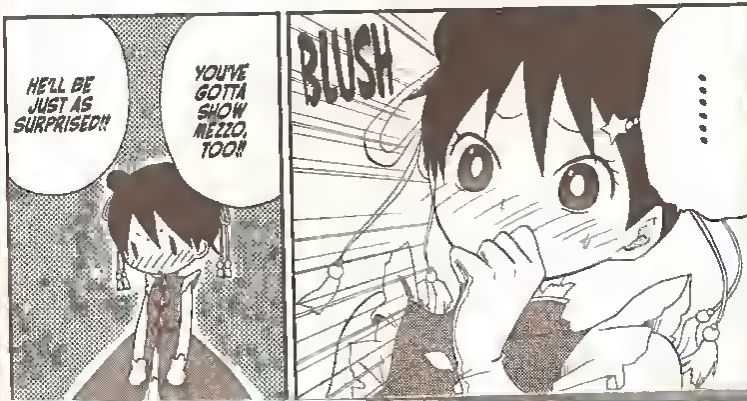

HE WENT TO TOWN WITH PANDAMAN A LITTLE WHILE AGO.
NNNN. NNNN.
LET'S PAINT THE TOWN RED!
W-WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?!
IMITATING HIM
EH?!
HE ISN'T IN THE... CAFFLE... ANYMO--
FALSE TEETH
OH, THE STUFFED ANIMAL THAT'S SHAPED LIKE A DRAGON?
MUNYA


SHOULD WE GO LOOKING FOR HIM...?
AHHHH... IRRESPONSIBLE DRAGON ...


I'VE COME FROM CLASSICAL ...
...TO DELIVER THIS LETTER PERSONALLY TO THE QUEEN.
YEAH, PROBABLY I'M KIND OF WORRIED ...
OKAY, THEN!!


EH?
IT LOOKS GOOD ON YOU.
I'LL GET OUT OF THIS IN A MINUTE!!
UM.
SORRY THERE'S BEEN A MISUNDERSTANDING...


I CAN'T HELP IT. YOU'RE CUTE!
FOR JUST A SECOND THERE, YOU HAD ME HOPING YOU ACTUALLY WERE A GIRL, ALTO.


HE'LL BE JUST AS SURPRISED!!
YOU'VE GOTTA SHOW MEZZO, TOO!!
BLUSH
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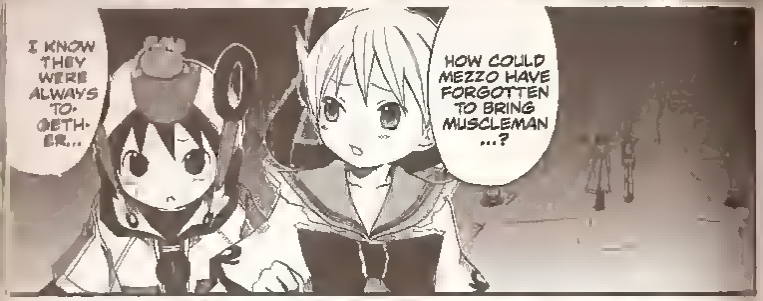
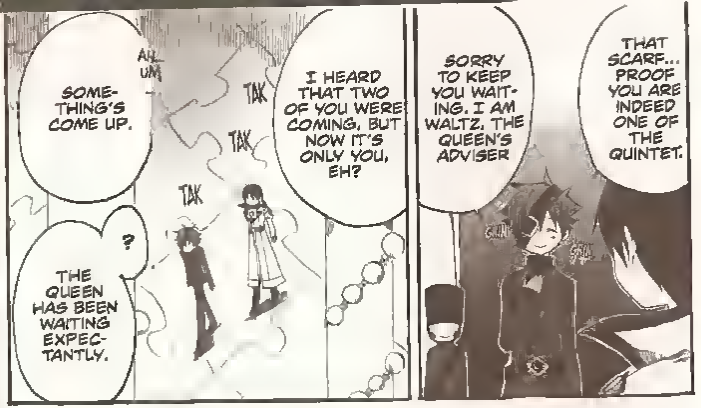
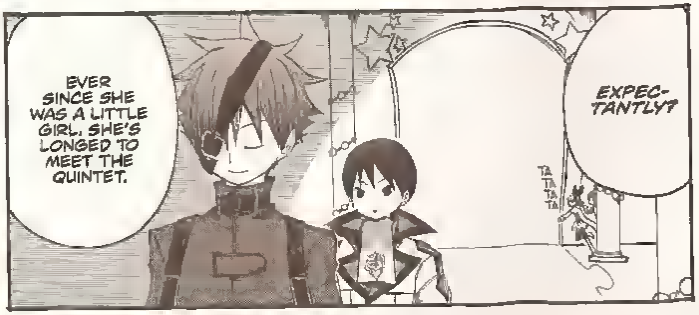

I KNOW THEY WERE ALWAYS TOGETHER...
HOW COULD MEZZO HAVE FORGOTTEN TO BRING MUSCLEMAN ...?

HE'LL GO...
KYAAAA♥
OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT ...
FWISH
...

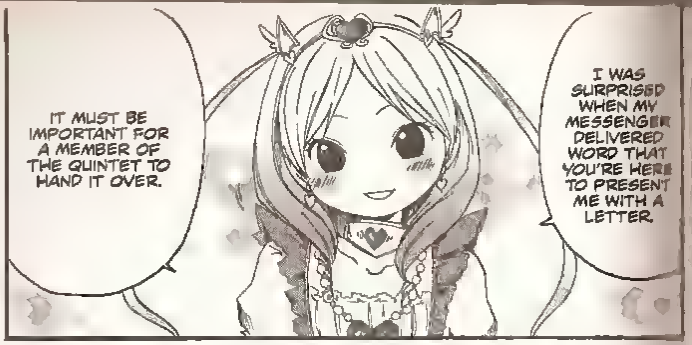
SAY, WHEN WE GET BACK PUT THOSE GIRL CLOTHES ON AGAIN. I WANT MEZZO TO SEE!
IT'S NOT THAT AMUSING...
EH ?!

CREEE!!
AH ...
YES.
SHE'S IN THIS ROOM.
UMUZU
AHA HA HA HA
.....?


SOMETHING'S COME UP.
AH, UM...
TAK
TAK
TAK
I HEARD THAT TWO OF YOU WERE COMING, BUT NOW IT'S ONLY YOU, EH?
THE QUEEN HAS BEEN WAITING EXPECTANTLY.
?
SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING. I AM WALTZ, THE QUEEN'S ADVISER
THAT SCARF... PROOF YOU ARE INDEED ONE OF THE QUINTET.

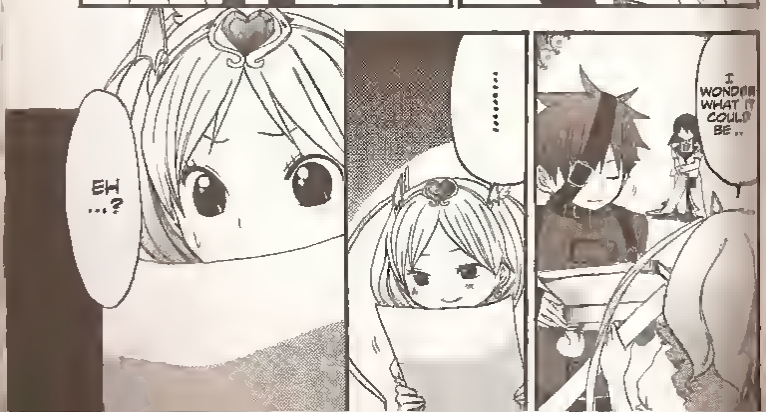

EVER SINCE SHE WAS A LITTLE GIRL, SHE'S LONGED TO MEET THE QUINTET.
EXPECTANTLY?
TATATA

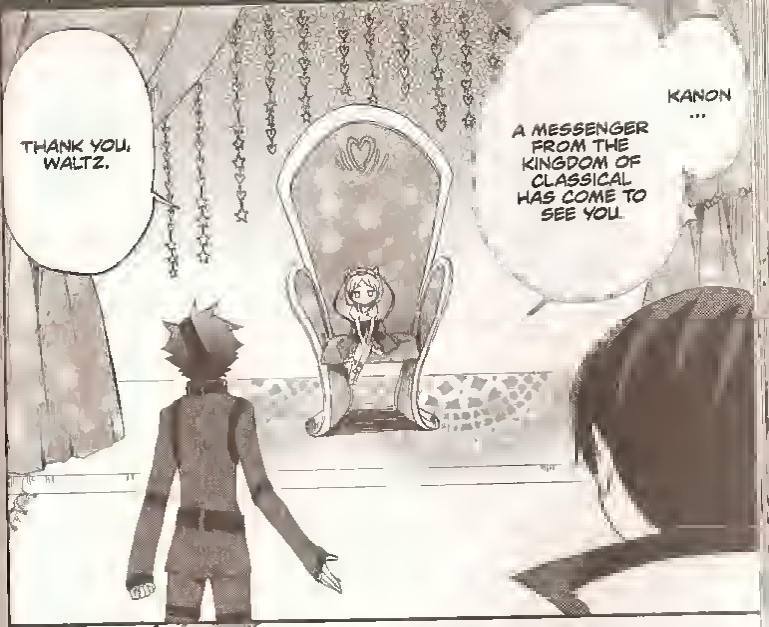
AND I AM HONORED TO MEET THE QUEEN.

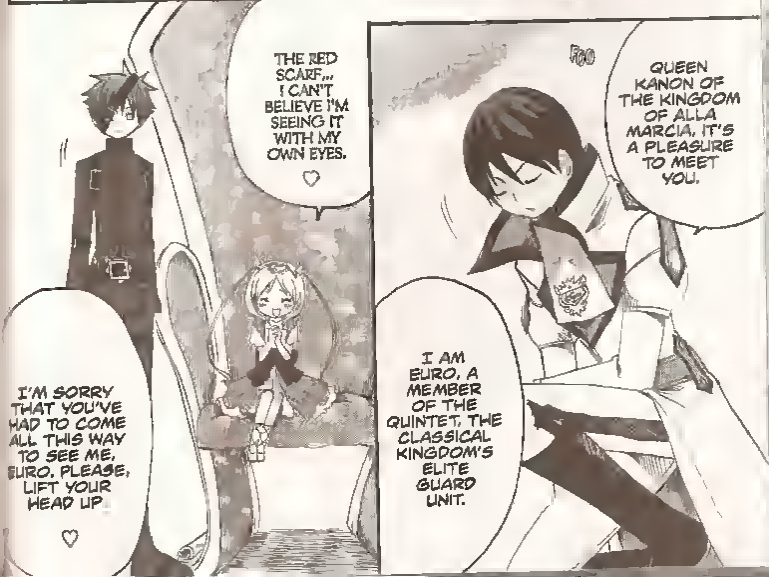

IT MUST BE IMPORTANT FOR A MEMBER OF THE QUINTET TO HAND IT OVER.
I WAS SURPRISED WHEN MY MESSENGER DELIVERED WORD THAT YOU'RE HERE TO PRESENT ME WITH A LETTER.

YES... THAT'S CORRECT.
IT'S FROM KING GLANZEND, ISN'T IT?

PLEASE READ IT OVER.
YES.
THIS IS THAT SELF-SAME LETTER.
FOO


EH ...?
.....
I WONDER WHAT IT COULD BE..

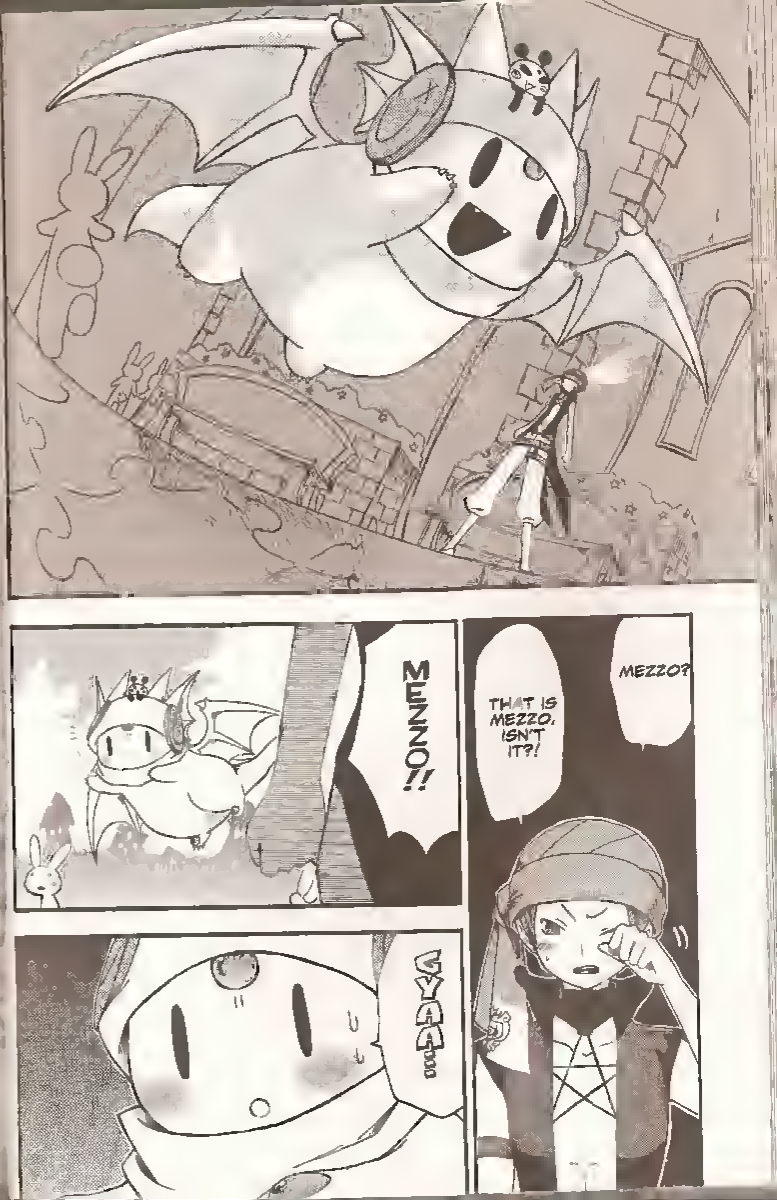

THANK YOU, WALTZ.
KANON ...
A MESSENGER FROM THE KINGDOM OF CLASSICAL HAS COME TO SEE YOU.


THE RED SCARF... I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M SEEING IT WITH MY OWN EYES.
I'M SORRY THAT YOU'VE HAD TO COME ALL THIS WAY TO SEE ME, EURO. PLEASE, LIFT YOUR HEAD UP.
FOO
QUEEN KANON OF THE KINGDOM OF ALLA MARCIA, IT'S A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU.
I AM EURO, A MEMBER OF THE QUINTET, THE CLASSICAL KINGDOM'S ELITE GUARD UNIT.

AND THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THAT ALTO AND THE PRINCE ARE EVEN IN THIS COUNTRY...
WHERE YOU HAVE TO BE CAREFUL WHERE YOU STEP SO YOU DON'T TRAMPLE A LIVING STUFFED ANIMAL...
BUT HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO FIND THEM IN A CRAZY PLACE LIKE THIS..?
AHH...
STRETCH
STRETCH
AUG
BETTER GET STARTED...
I WANT TO SEE YOU DO YOUR BEST
THIS ISN'T LIKE YOU KLEZMER
JIGGLE
JIGGLE
JIGGLE
JIGGLE
THE QUEEN
YES YOUR HIGH-NESS
ARE MY EYES PLAYING TRICKS ON ME..?
EH...?

PRINCE SOPRANO...
REMEMBER, IT'S MEZZO AND PANDAMAN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT, SO MAYBE WE SHOULD CHECK OUT PLACES THAT HAVE SOME CONNECTION TO MUSCLEMAN FIRST.
I DON'T THINK IT'S A BAD IDEA TO SEARCH...BUT WHERE DO WE START?
MEZZO LOVES HIM.
...AND EURO DISAP-PEARED ON ME..GUESS THERE'S NOTHING FOR ME TO DO EXCEPT LOOK FOR ALTO...
AHHH.. MR WATER CLOSET SAID HE HAD A NEW PLAN AND WENT HOME...
AH SOME-THING'S OVER THERE!
SIGH...
SIGH...
RIGHT?
SEE, THIS IS WHY YOU'RE THE LEADER OF OUR GROUP!!
THAT MAKES SENSE!

WHO'S THE KID WITH THE TURBAN?
.....
MEZZO! LONG TIME, NO SEE! ♡
IT'S ME, KLEZMER, YOUR OLD BUDDY FROM THE QUINTET!
You know how close we are!
WHAT, HAS IT BEEN SO LONG THAT YOU'RE SHY AROUND ME?
SQUIZ
EZZ ♡
WHAT'S WRONG? LET ME GIVE YOU THE USUAL BIG HUG!
?
SNAP
GYARN
HAAAA
WHAT THE--?!
GOTCHA!! THAT ONLY LEAVES ALTO AND THE PRINCE!
CAP
TURED!!

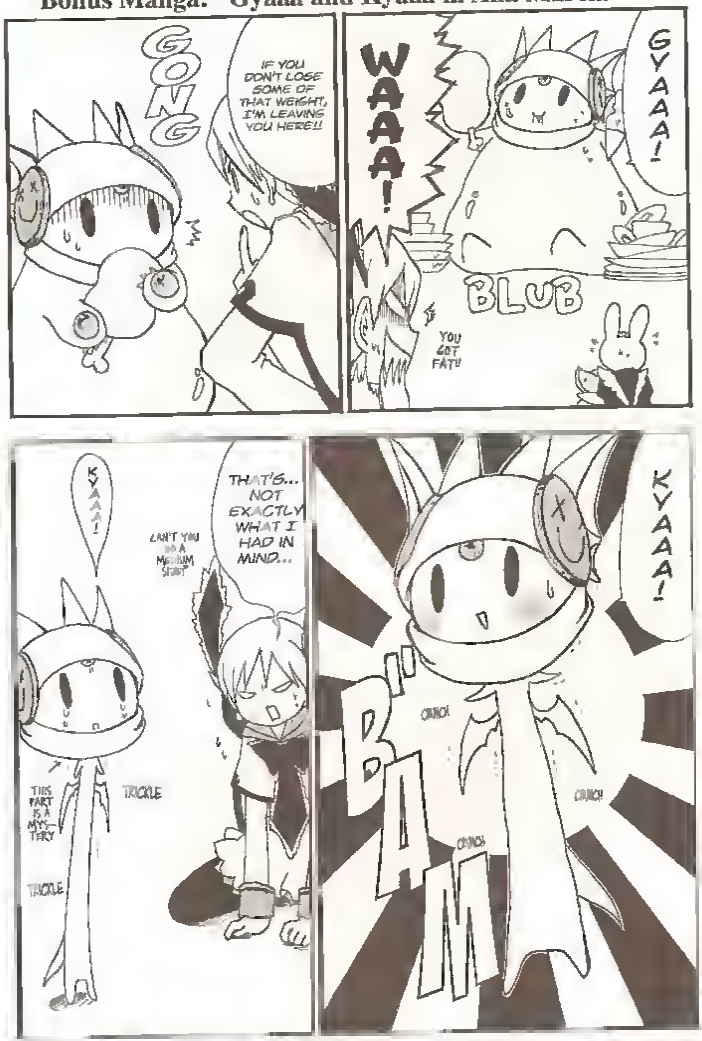

MEZZO!!
MEZZO?
THAT IS MEZZO, ISN'T IT?!
SYLL

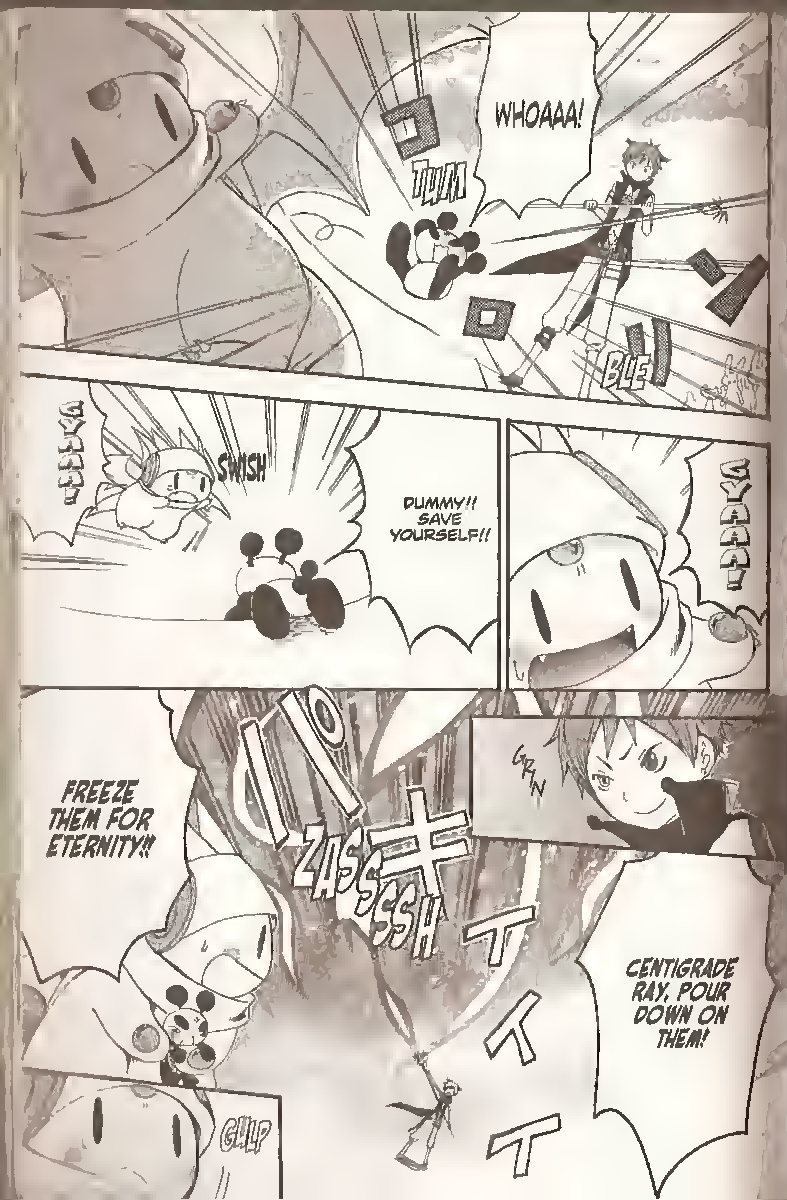
GYAAA!
WAAAAAAAH
SQUISH
MEZZO! WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO ME?!
Ah
IT'S NOT SOMETHING TO BE TORCHED CARELESSLY!!
GYAAA
...IS PROOF THAT THE KING HAS FAITH IN ME...FAITH TO PROTECT OUR COUNTRY!
THE QUINTET SCARF...
AND AFTER THAT, YOU'LL APOLOGIZE AS WELL AS TELL ME THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE PRINCE AND ALTO!!
IT'S TIME FOR YOUR PUNISHMENT, BAD MEZZO!!
RUMBLE
RUMBLE

GYAAA!
AP
FW
MEZZO! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
NICE!
ROARRR
.....!
THAT'S PRECIOUS TO ME!
YOU COULD'VE BURNED MY SCARF OFF!!
I DON'T KNOW HOW TO BREAK THE NEWS TO YOU, KIDDO, BUT IT'S ALREADY GONE.
CHARCOALVILLE...
FSS
THAT WAS HOT!
SSFT
EH...?

OP9: Mezzo and Alto's Mishap

Bonus Manga: "Gyaaa and Kyaaa in Alla Marcia"



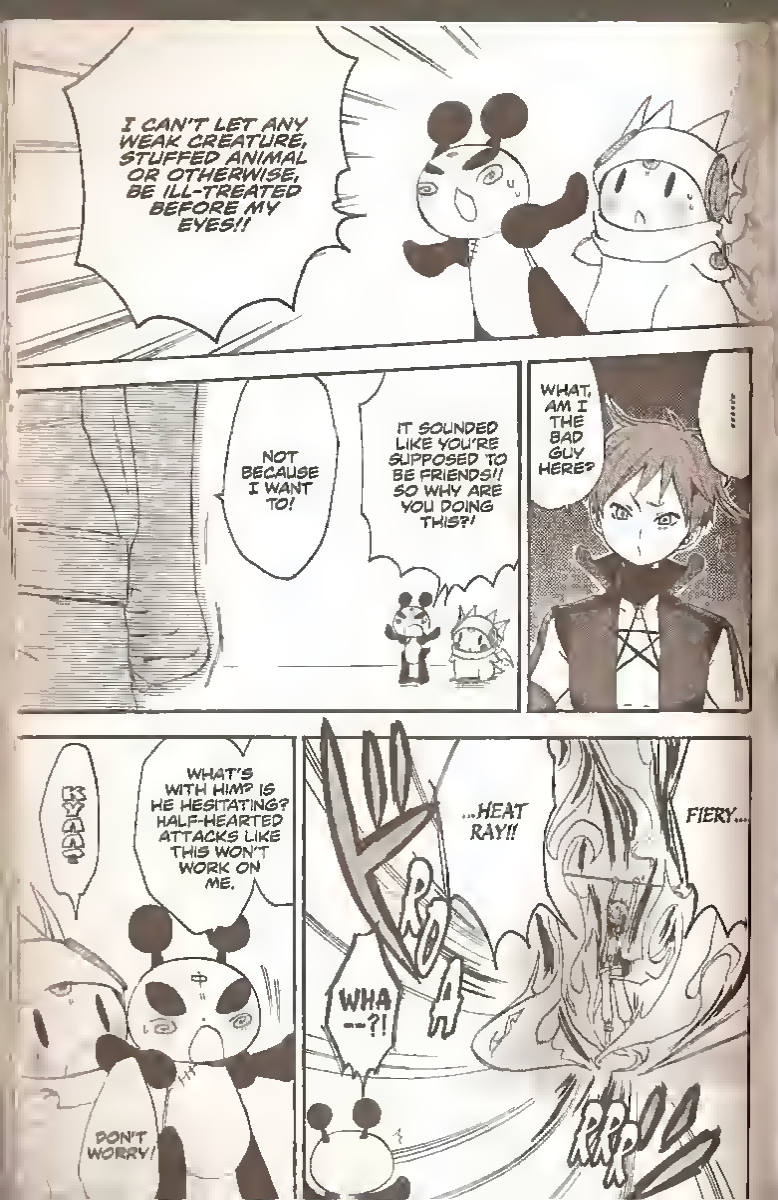

WHOAAA!
THUD
BLE
SWISH
DUMMY!! SAVE YOURSELF!!
FREEZE THEM FOR ETERNITY!!
ZA-SSSSH
GRIN
CENTIGRADE RAY, POUR DOWN ON THEM!
GULP

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! I DON'T LIKE THE SOUND OF THIS! GET US OUT OF HERE!!
TWITCH
...TO BECOME A PROUD MAGE IN THY NAME!
I SWEAR TO GUARD THY TEACHINGS AND PERFORM MAGIC IN THE SERVICE OF JUSTICE!!
I WIELD THE POWER OF SORCERY THROUGH MY WORDS, THAT POWER IS GUIDED
RUMBLE
ARS ANTIQUA, GOD OF WISDOM, GRANT ME THE ESSENCE OF SORCERY AND SHOW ME THE WAY...
DELIVER UNTO ME...
...A STAFF OF WISDOM!!
SHUDDER
YOU'RE NOT GETTING AWAY!
GYAAA!
SWI
SH

MOON-DRAGON MAGIC, EH?
I SHOULD'VE REALIZED A MOONDRAGON WOULDN'T GO DOWN THAT EASILY.
IF ONLY YOUR MAGIC WAS A LITTLE STRON-GER...
YOU...
SHOULD'VE REALIZED YOU WOULDN'T FALL SO EASILY, MEZZO.
KRA
SH
GRAVITY
...CRUSH THE CRES-CENTS!!

A DIRECT HIT!
I KNEW I WAS GOOD!
DUN DUN
DUN DUN DUN
OH...
MOONDRAGON OFFENSIVE...
...LUNAR KNIVES!!

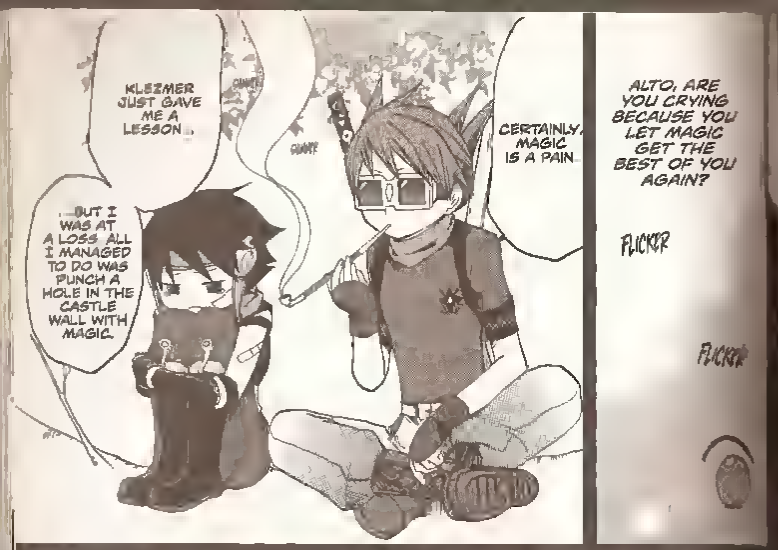
NEVER HEARD OF THAT KIND OF MAGIC...
TOY TRAP?
?!
WHURL
WHURL
WHURL
TOY TRAP MAGIC...
RAG-DOLL!!
...BACK AT HIM!!
KA
REFLECT ALL OF MY ENEMY'S MAGIC...
CHING
WHOA—?!
HE'S SENDING IT BACK ?!
KA
IT'S EXTREMELY POWERFUL!
EH...?!
BOOOM
EH?
WHURL
HEY! DUCK!!
THAT MAGIC HE'S JUST BOUNCED BACK OUR WAY...
WHURL
WHOOP
WHOOP
FWISH
CHUCKLE
IF I COULDN'T HANDLE A FEW MOONS, I'D FEEL OBLIGED TO RESIGN
I WAS CHOSEN TO JOIN THE QUINTET FOR A REASON, YOU KNOW.
WHAT, DID YOU THINK SOMETHING AS SIMPLE AS THAT COULD DEFEAT ME?
.....
.....
...WHERE ARE THE PRINCE AND ALTO?
BUT ENOUGH. PLAYTIME IS OVER! TELL ME...
.....
POP
POP
POP
...I TRULY WILL PUNISH YOU, WITH NO HOLDING BACK.
IF YOU REFUSE TO TALK...
TWITCH
?!
TAKE THIS!
CARELESSNESS IS THE GREAT ENEMY!!
POP


I CAN'T LET ANY WEAK CREATURE, STUFFED ANIMAL OR OTHERWISE, BE ILL-TREATED BEFORE MY EYES!!
IT SOUNDED LIKE YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE FRIENDS!! SO WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?!
NOT BECAUSE I WANT TO!
WHAT, AM I THE BAD GUY HERE?
.....
KYAAA!
WHAT'S WITH HIM? IS HE HESITATING? HALF-HEARTED ATTACKS LIKE THIS WON'T WORK ON ME.
DON'T WORRY!
...HEAT RAY!!
FIERY...
WHA--?!

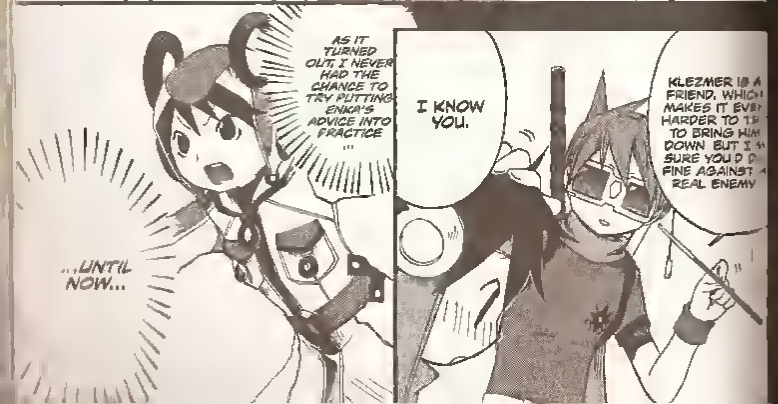
WHAT WAS THAT...?
FOO
WHEW...
AH...
KYAAA!
FO
TINY
AH!
...HUH? MEZ-ZO'S GONE?!
SO NOW IT'S MY DUTY TO PROTECT YOU!!
I'M SORRY! IT'S MY FAULT!
.....
DAZED
KYAAA!

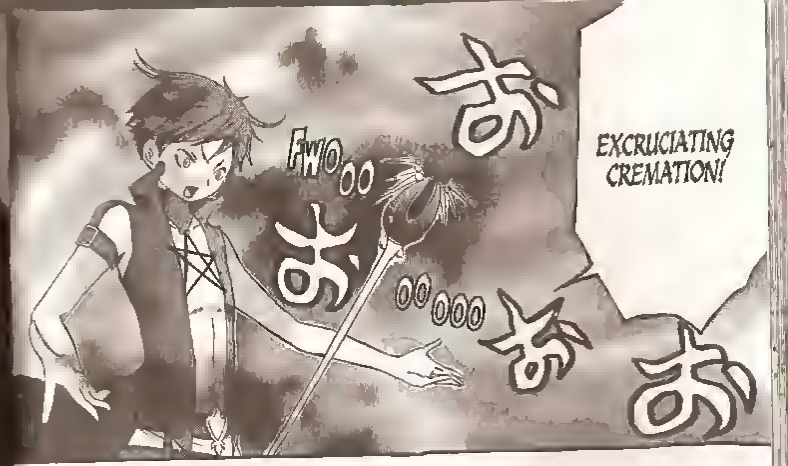
YOU CUT ME TO THE QUICK. WHAT KIND OF KNIGHT WOULD I BE IF I DIDN'T RUSH TO THE AID OF MY KIDNAPPED PRINCE?
DO YOU KNOW HOW MUCH I'VE WANTED TO SEE YOU SAFE AND SOUND?
UWAAA
KLEZMER?! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
PRINCE
PANT
PANT
WHEEZE
ALTO, WHAT'S THE IDEA SUDDENLY RUNNING OFF LIKE THAT? WHAT'S WRONG...?
WHEEZE
AH...
I'LL LET EURO BE IN CHARGE OF GETTING THAT "MEDLEY" THING.
ALTO!! DON'T GET YOURSELF IN DEEPER THAN YOU ALREADY HAVE ENOUGH ALREADY. LET'S ALL GO HOME
TOO
KLEZ-MER, WE'RE ...
WELL, IF YOU PLAN ON TAKING ME BACK HOME I'M NOT GOING!!!
I SEE ...
THEN YOU LEAVE ME NO CHOICE
WE'RE NOT GOING BACK TO CLASSI-CAL!!
EURO IS HERE TOO ...?
SQUEEZE

KYAAA!
I SAID I'M GONNA PRO-TECT HIM!
UNTIL THE LAST BIT OF MAGIC HAS BEEN BLOWN OUT OF MY BODY!!
WHO ARE YOU?
ALTO ...
KA
WHOOM
NO NEED TO GO OVER-BOARD.
SORRY


KLEZMER JUST GAVE ME A LESSON...
...BUT I WAS AT A LOSS. ALL I MANAGED TO DO WAS PUNCH A HOLE IN THE CASTLE WALL WITH MAGIC.
GIANT
GIANT
CERTAINLY. MAGIC IS A PAIN.
ALTO, ARE YOU CRYING BECAUSE YOU LET MAGIC GET THE BEST OF YOU AGAIN?
FLICKER
FLICKER

IT'S LIKE YOU'RE SAYING YOU CAN'T VANQUISH THE "SWORD" OF A SWORDSMAN.
!!
HOWEVER, EVEN IF YOU CAN'T BEAT THE MAGIC, YOU CAN DEFEAT THE USER.
ALTO, MAGIC CAN'T BE NEGATED BY SOME ONE WHO DOESN'T HAVE SUPERIOR KNOWLEDGE OF IT.


...UNTIL NOW...
AS IT TURNED OUT, I NEVER HAD THE CHANCE TO TRY PUTTING ENKA'S ADVICE INTO PRACTICE ...
I KNOW YOU.
KLEZMER IS A FRIEND, WHICH MAKES IT EVEN HARDER TO TRY TO BRING HIM DOWN. BUT I'M SURE YOU'D DO FINE AGAINST A REAL ENEMY


EXCRUCIATING CREMATION!
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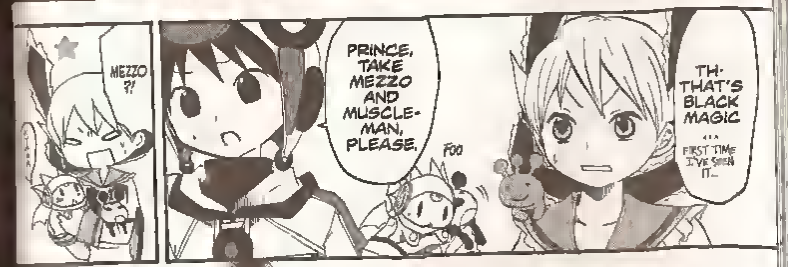

MEZZO ?!
PRINCE, TAKE MEZZO AND MUSCLE-MAN, PLEASE.
FOO
TH-THAT'S BLACK MAGIC
FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN IT...

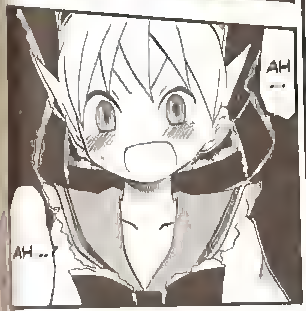
FL
ICKER
IF A BLAST OF MAGIC THAT POWERFUL GETS RELEASED, IT WON'T ONLY TAKE ME OUT...
...BUT WILL ALSO DAMAGE THE TOWN AND INJURE MANY OF THE TOYS!
PUT ALL OF MY POWER INTO IT!!
KLRR
HE'S SERIOUS!
THAT'S AMPLI-FYING MAGIC ...

ALTO!
THAT BOY'S LEFT HIS MARBLE OUT! BUT LET THAT WHAT DO YOU MEAN?!
SHL
URK
FWI
ALTO, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
YOU NEVER UNDERESTIMATE A SORCERER ...
SHAKA
DUN
AH... YES ...
SHAKA

I BRING DOWN THE MAGICIAN!!
I DON'T DESTROY THE MAGIC...
FWI
YES, UNTIL JUST NOW!!
SH
ALTO, WASN'T FIGHTING ME YOUR WEAKNESS?
EMERGE FROM THE EARTH AND PIERCE HIM!!
BLACK FLOWERS..
KRU
MP
DAMMIT!
CRACKLE
DISPEL MAGIC!

THEY SAW...

EH...?
B-BREASTS?


AH...
AH..?

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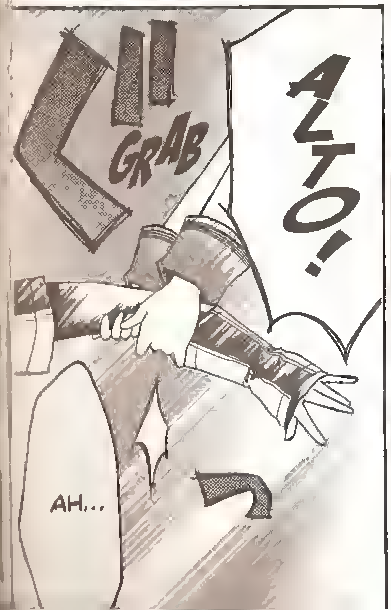
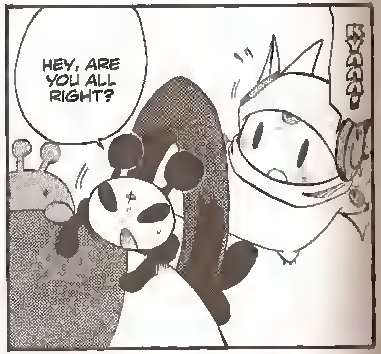
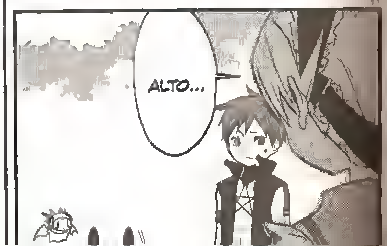
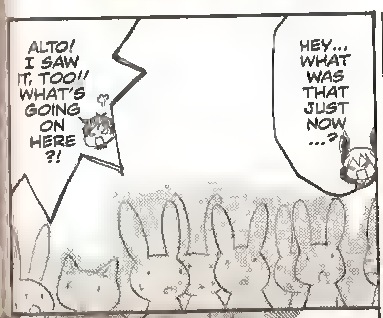
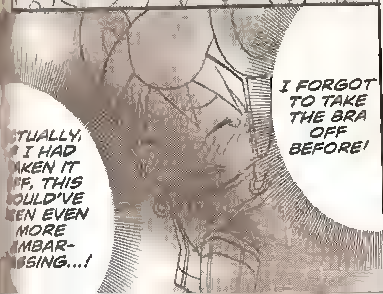

GRAB
ALTO!
AH...


HEY, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?


ALTO...

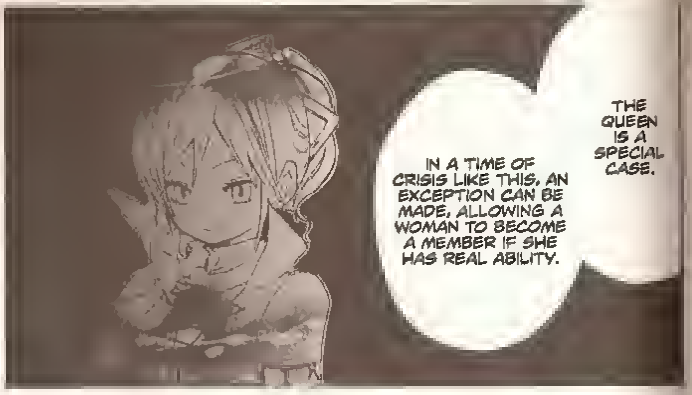

ALTO! I SAW IT, TOO!! WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?!
HEY... WHAT WAS THAT JUST NOW...?

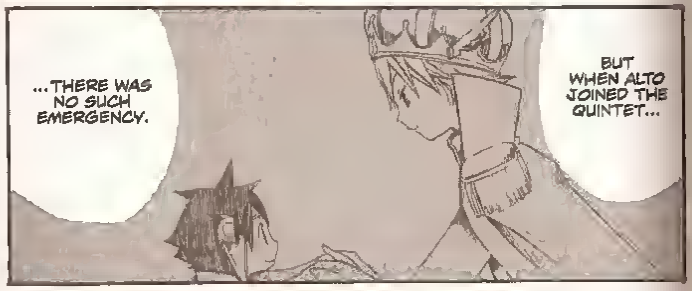

I FORGOT TO TAKE THE BRA OFF BEFORE!
CTUALLY, I HAD AKEN IT FF, THIS OULD'VE EN EVEN MORE MBAR- SSING...!

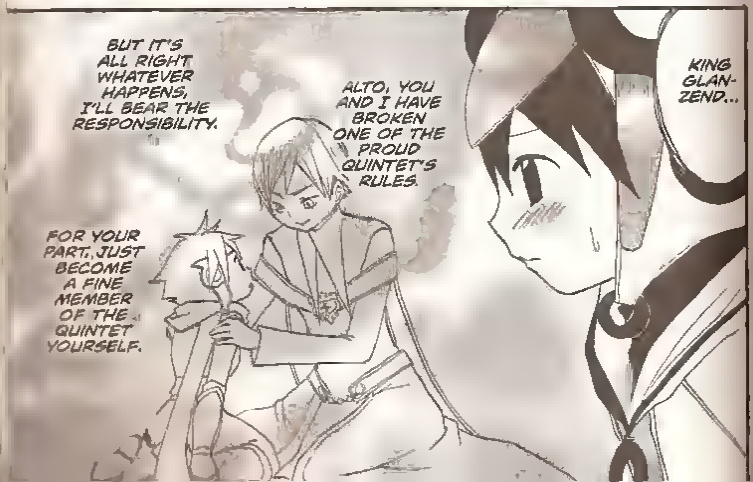
ALTO?!
SHI
SH

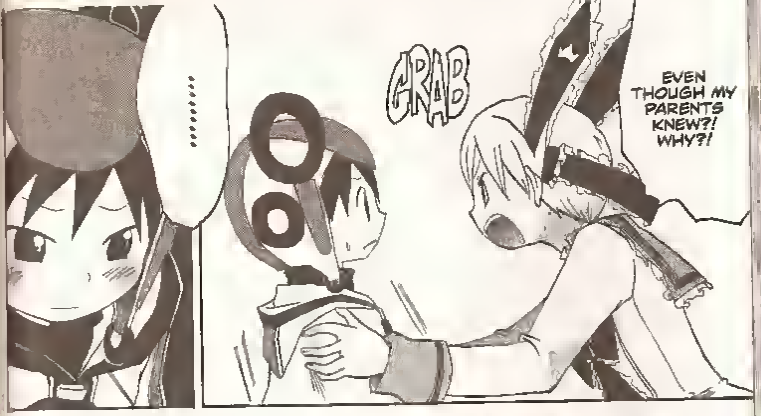
……
WHY DID YOU LIE…TO ME, MEZZO, MOTHER, FATHER…
…AND YOUR COMRADES IN THE QUINTET?
WHY?
WHY DID YOU KEEP QUIET ABOUT IT ALL THIS TIME?
THE KING AND QUEEN KNOW…
!!
I'M SORRY, PRINCE !!
EVER SINCE I WAS A SMALL CHILD, THIS HAS BEEN THE ONE SECRET I'VE KEPT!
BUT I JUST… I JUST COULDN'T TELL YOU…

IT'S NO MISTAKE, IS IT?
YOU REALLY ARE A GIRL…
SO TELL ME…
……

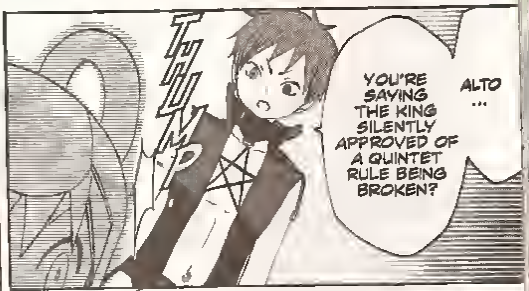

THE QUEEN IS A SPECIAL CASE.
IN A TIME OF CRISIS LIKE THIS, AN EXCEPTION CAN BE MADE, ALLOWING A WOMAN TO BECOME A MEMBER IF SHE HAS REAL ABILITY.

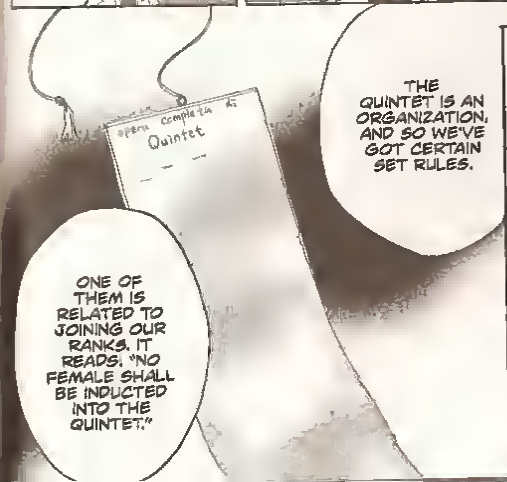

BUT WHEN ALTO JOINED THE QUINTET...
...THERE WAS NO SUCH EMERGENCY.


KING GLAN-ZEND...
ALTO, YOU AND I HAVE BROKEN ONE OF THE PROUD QUINTET'S RULES.
BUT IT'S ALL RIGHT WHATEVER HAPPENS, I'LL BEAR THE RESPONSIBILITY.
FOR YOUR PART, JUST BECOME A FINE MEMBER OF THE QUINTET YOURSELF.


.....
GRAB
EVEN THOUGH MY PARENTS KNEW?! WHY?!

...
HE DID, DIDN'T HE...?

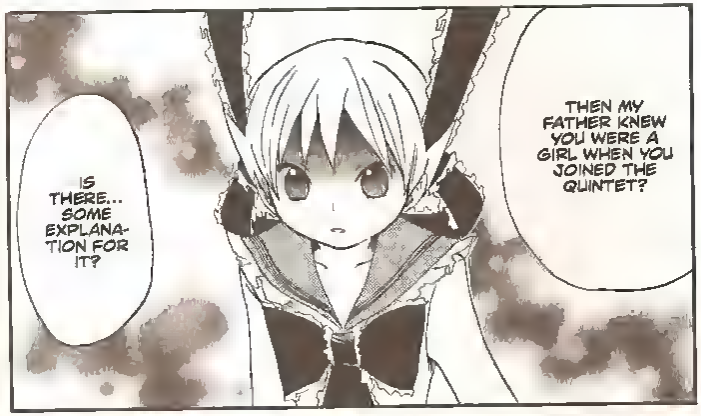

THUMP
ALTO ...
YOU'RE SAYING THE KING SILENTLY APPROVED OF A QUINTET RULE BEING BROKEN?

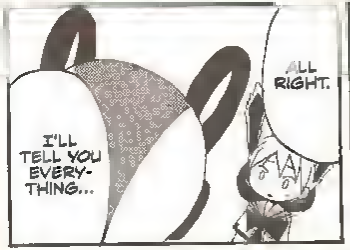

Quintet
THE QUINTET IS AN ORGANIZATION, AND SO WE'VE GOT CERTAIN SET RULES.
ONE OF THEM IS RELATED TO JOINING OUR RANKS. IT READS: "NO FEMALE SHALL BE INDUCTED INTO THE QUINTET."

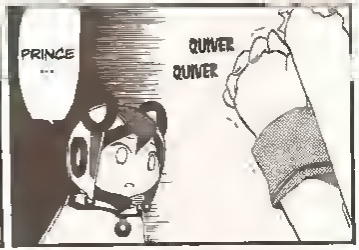
AH... UM...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, A QUINTET RULE BEING BROKEN?
TWITCH
GUARD

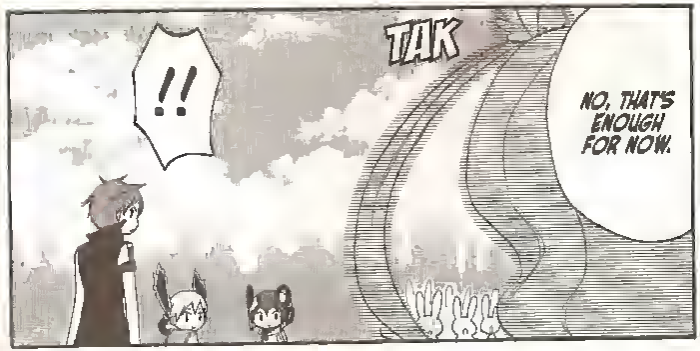
...FORMER MEMBER OF THE QUINTET AND CURRENT WANTED CRIMINAL, ALTO!!
YOU'LL REVEAL THE REST UNDER QUESTIONING.
BAM

WHAT WERE YOU DOING, IDIOT?!
AHA HA!
SECURE PRINCE SOPRANO.
ARREST ALTO.
HEY, QUIT IT!
GRRRR
TWITCH
GR
!!
UM... PLEASE, WAIT...
AB


IS THERE... SOME EXPLANATION FOR IT?
THEN MY FATHER KNEW YOU WERE A GIRL WHEN YOU JOINED THE QUINTET?


I'LL TELL YOU EVERYTHING...
ALL RIGHT.


PRINCE ...
QUIVER
QUIVER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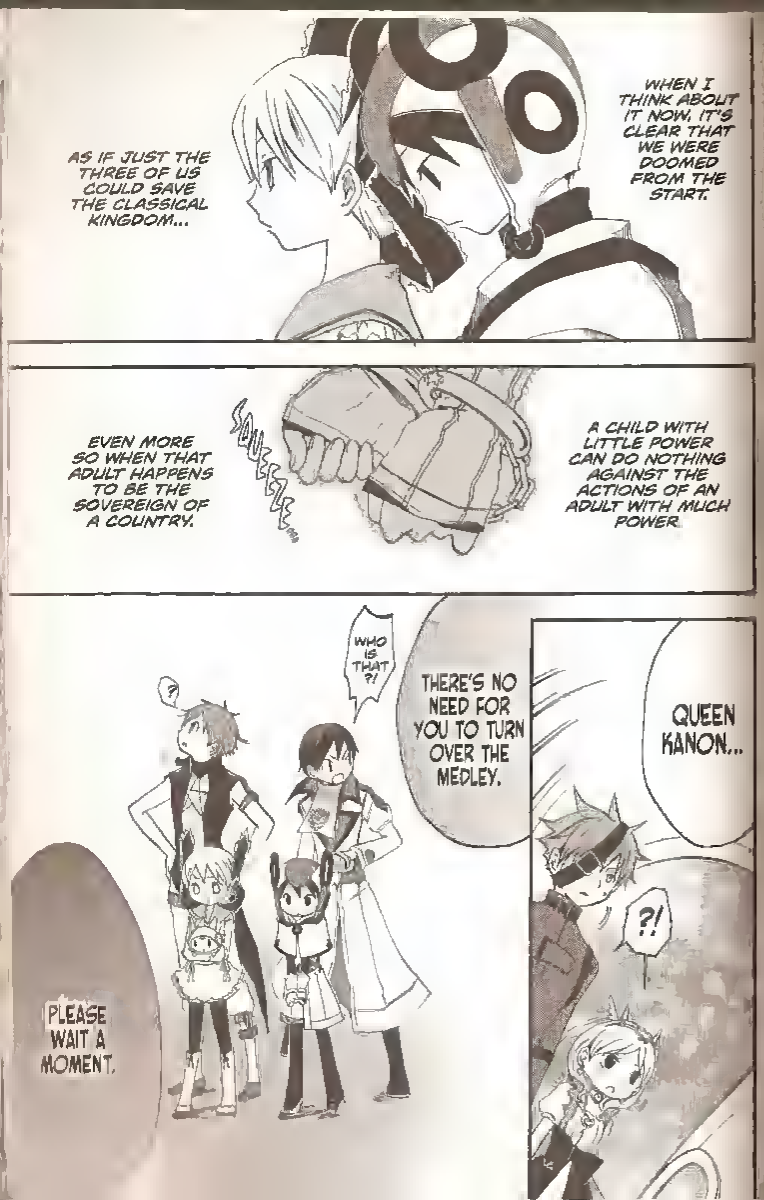
TAK
NO, THAT'S ENOUGH FOR NOW.

OP10: Grave

DOES OUR JOURNEY END HERE, LIKE THIS?


AS IF JUST THE THREE OF US COULD SAVE THE CLASSICAL KINGDOM...
WHEN I THINK ABOUT IT NOW, IT'S CLEAR THAT WE WERE DOOMED FROM THE START.
EVEN MORE SO WHEN THAT ADULT HAPPENS TO BE THE SOVEREIGN OF A COUNTRY.
A CHILD WITH LITTLE POWER CAN DO NOTHING AGAINST THE ACTIONS OF AN ADULT WITH MUCH POWER.
?
WHO IS THAT?!
PLEASE WAIT A MOMENT.
THERE'S NO NEED FOR YOU TO TURN OVER THE MEDLEY.
QUEEN KANON...
?!

C-CERTAINLY. YOU'RE WELCOME.
QUEEN KANON, I APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION IN THIS MATTER. THANK YOU.
ALTO HAS BEEN ARRESTED AND THE PRINCE HAS BEEN RESCUED.
.....
ALL THAT REMAINS IS FOR THE REQUEST IN THE LETTER TO BE FULFILLED. WILL YOU HAND OVER THE MEDLEY?

ばWH
LONG TIME NO SEE, SOPRANO, ALTO AND MEZZO! ♡
ん...
EH?
QUEEN KANON ...
SP
IN
WOWWW! LOOK AT HOW BIG EVERY-BODY'S GOTTEN! ♡
E-ENIKA ?!
GRAVE?!

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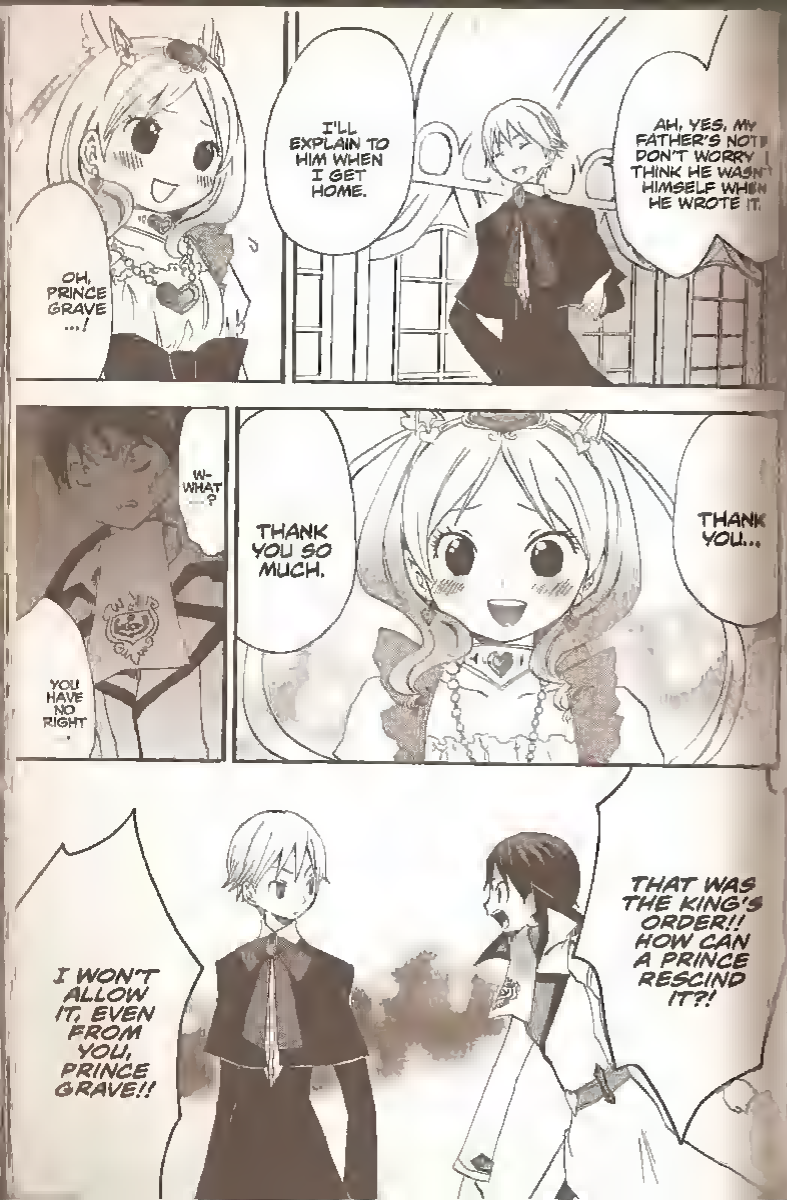
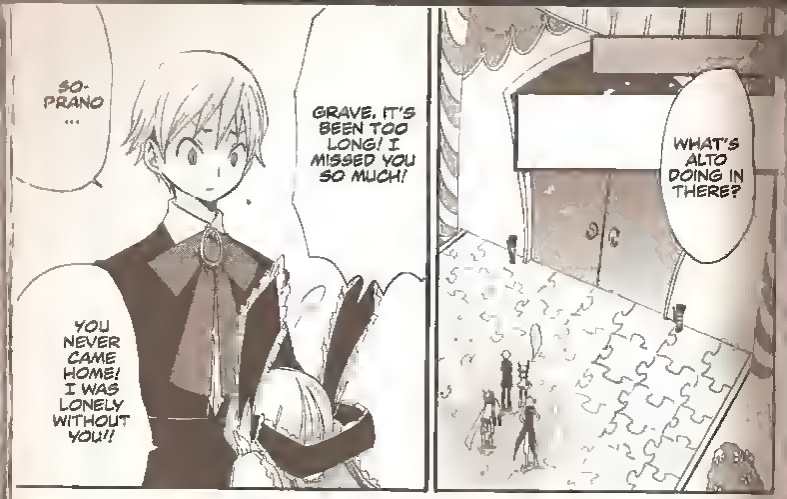
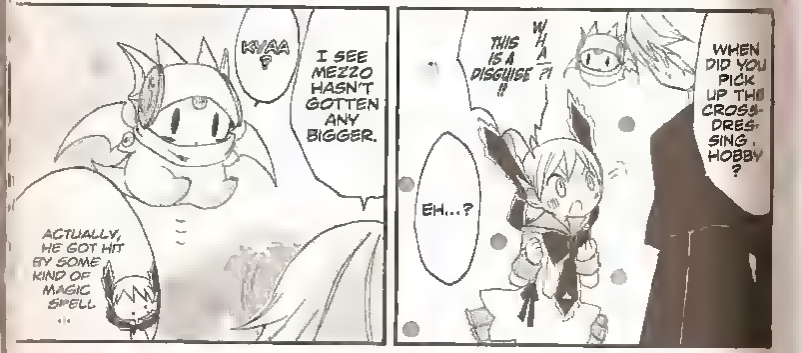
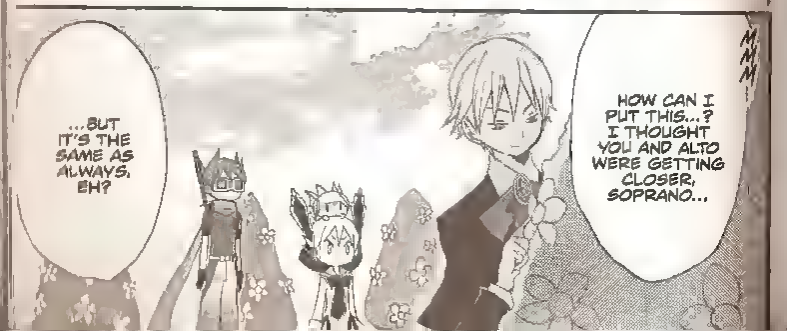
FWOOMP
HOW MANY YEARS HAS IT BEEN?
W-WHAT'S GOING ON?!
...IS THIS ?!
W-WHAT!


OH, PRINCE GRAVE ...!
I'LL EXPLAIN TO HIM WHEN I GET HOME.
AH, YES, MY FATHER'S NOTE DON'T WORRY I THINK HE WASN'T HIMSELF WHEN HE WROTE IT.
W-WHAT ...?
YOU HAVE NO RIGHT.
THANK YOU SO MUCH.
THANK YOU...
I WON'T ALLOW IT, EVEN FROM YOU, PRINCE GRAVE!!
THAT WAS THE KING'S ORDER!! HOW CAN A PRINCE RESCIND IT?!

I AM GRAVE, THE ELDEST PRINCE OF THE KINGDOM OF CLASSICAL.
I'LL TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR MY YOUNGER BROTHER, SOPRANO, HIS BODYGUARD, ALTO, AND THE MOONDRAGON, MEZZO.
I'M GOING TO TAKE THEM BACK TO CLASSICAL.
BUT...
CONTINUE USING IT FOR YOUR OWN COUNTRY.
AND AS I JUST SAID A MOMENT AGO, THERE WILL BE NO NEED FOR THE MEDLEY.
EH ...?


SO-PRANO...
GRAVE, IT'S BEEN TOO LONG! I MISSED YOU SO MUCH!
YOU NEVER CAME HOME! I WAS LONELY WITHOUT YOU!!
WHAT'S ALTO DOING IN THERE?


I SEE MEZZO HASN'T GOTTEN ANY BIGGER.
KYAA?
ACTUALLY, HE GOT HIT BY SOME KIND OF MAGIC SPELL...
WHEN DID YOU PICK UP THE CROSS-DRESSING HOBBY?
WHA?!
THIS IS A DISGUISE!!
EH...?


...BUT IT'S THE SAME AS ALWAYS, EH?
HOW CAN I PUT THIS...? I THOUGHT YOU AND ALTO WERE GETTING CLOSER, SOPRANO...
MMM

WHO
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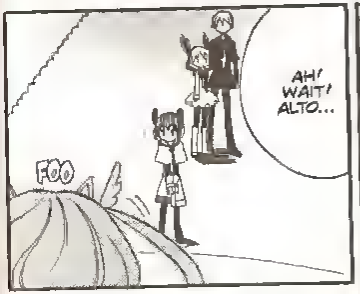
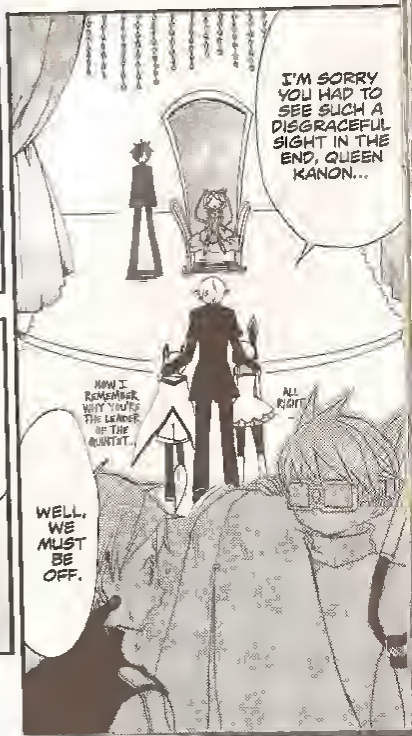
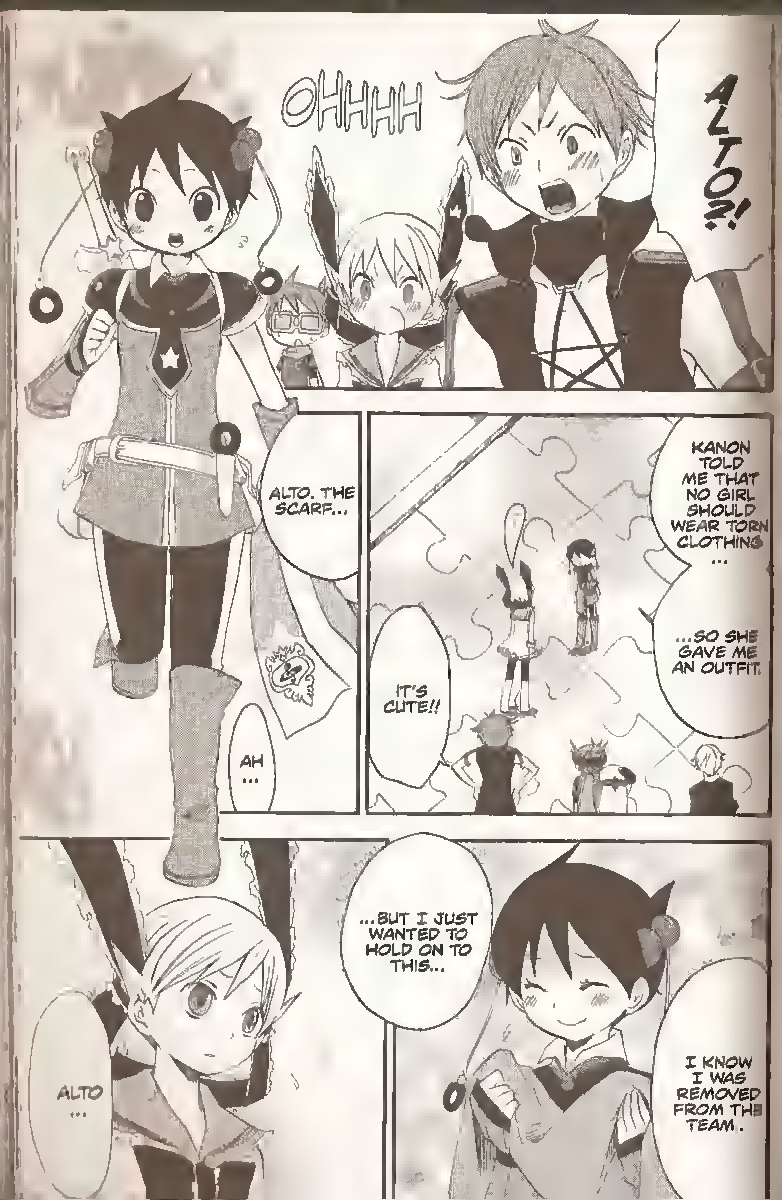
?!
YEP.
WEXE
TA

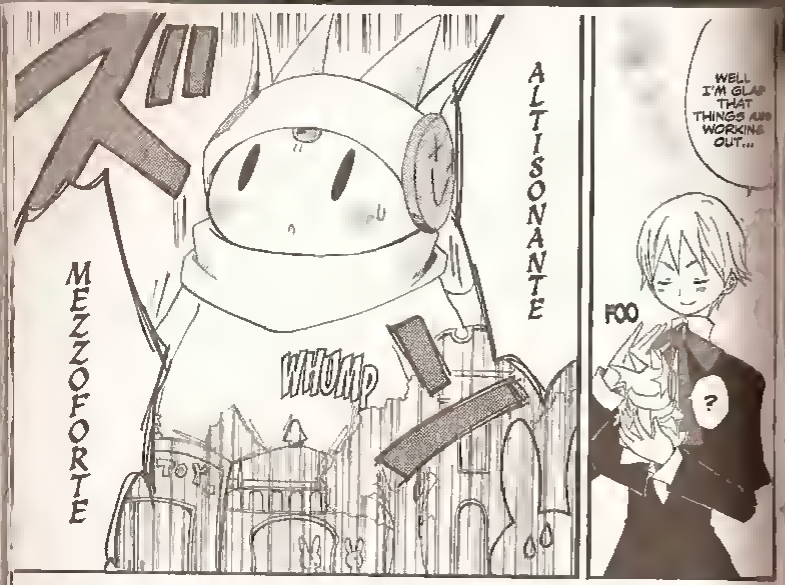

AH! WAIT! ALTO...
FOO

CAN I HAVE A MOMENT OF YOUR TIME...?


I'M SORRY YOU HAD TO SEE SUCH A DISGRACEFUL SIGHT IN THE END, QUEEN KANON...
NOW I REMEMBER WHY YOU'RE THE LEADER OF THE QUARTET...
ALL RIGHT.
WELL, WE MUST BE OFF.


ALTO?!
OHHHH
ALTO. THE SCARF...
AH...
KANON TOLD ME THAT NO GIRL SHOULD WEAR TORN CLOTHING...
...SO SHE GAVE ME AN OUTFIT.
IT'S CUTE!!
ALTO...
...BUT I JUST WANTED TO HOLD ON TO THIS...
I KNOW I WAS REMOVED FROM THE TEAM.

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? UNTIL TODAY, ALTO LIED TO ALL OF US...NEARLY ALL OF US...
...SAYING SHE WAS A MAN!
.....
EVERYONE HAS ONE SECRET THEY KEEP LOCKED UP INSIDE.
.....
I FEEL SORRY FOR ALTO, THAT HERS WAS REVEALED TO EVERYONE.
SORRY TO KEEP EVERYONE WAITING!


MEZZOFORTE
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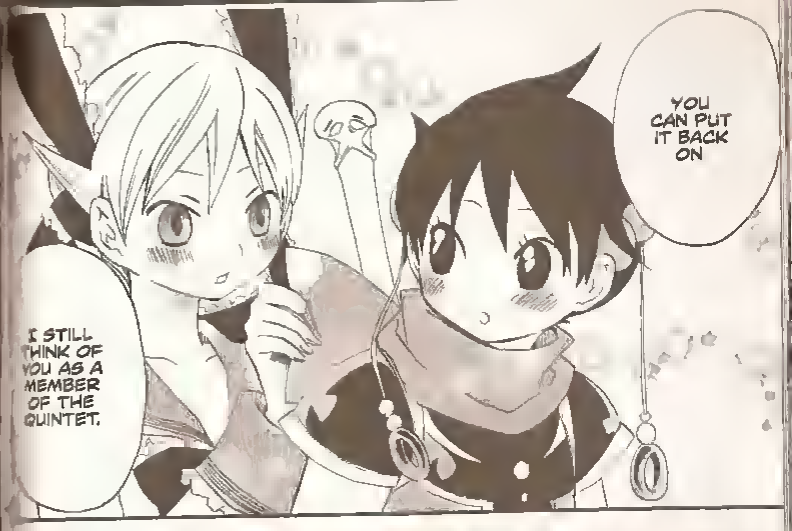
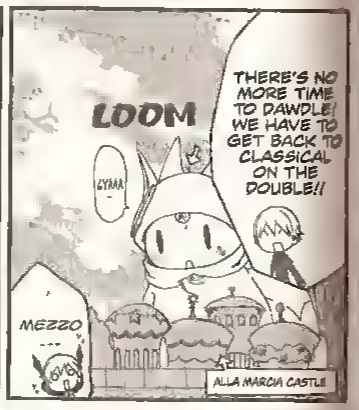
WHOMP
TOY
WELL I'M GLAD THAT THINGS ARE WORKING OUT...
FOO
?


YOU CAN PUT IT BACK ON
I STILL THINK OF YOU AS A MEMBER OF THE QUINTET.

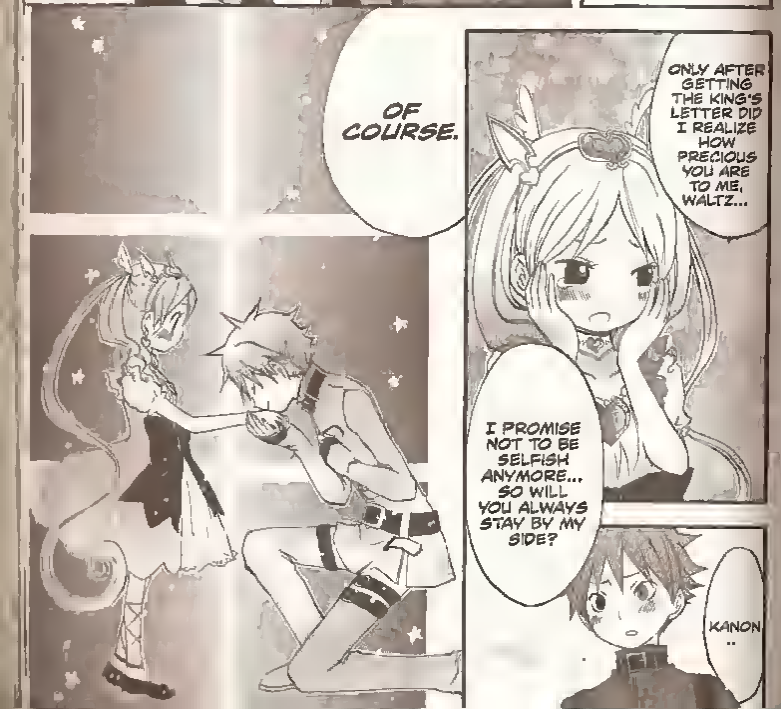
GYAAAA!
FLAP
ULP
I FEEL DEJA VU FOR SOME REASON...

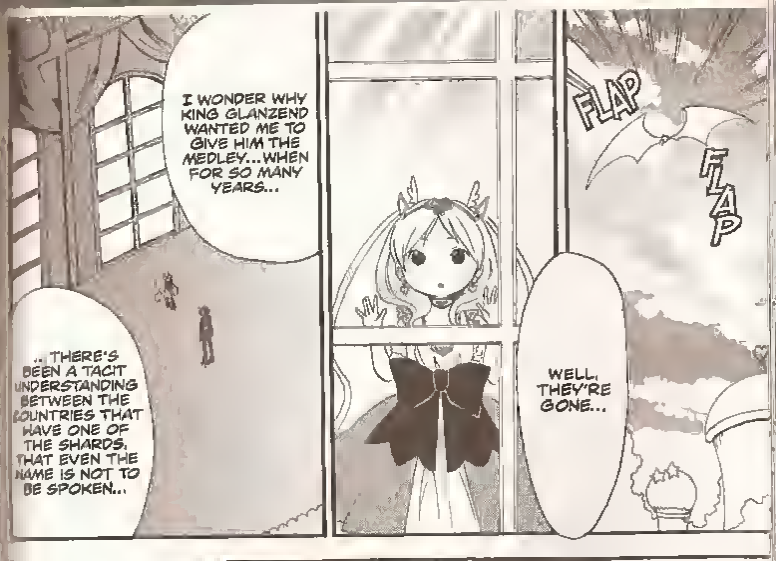

LOOM
LYMA
THERE'S NO MORE TIME TO DAWDLE! WE HAVE TO GET BACK TO CLASSICAL ON THE DOUBLE!!
MEZZO
ALLA MARCIA CASTLE

PRINCE SOPRANO
ALTO...

THANK YOU!
PRINCE...

BUT AS LONG AS I DO HAVE IT IN HERE, YOU'LL NEVER BE LONELY, KANON.
THIS MEDLEY THAT'S IN MY RIGHT EYE IS MY POWER SOURCE.
WITHOUT IT, I'D BECOME THE ONLY INANIMATE DOLL IN ALLA MARCIA.
SHK
KOOO

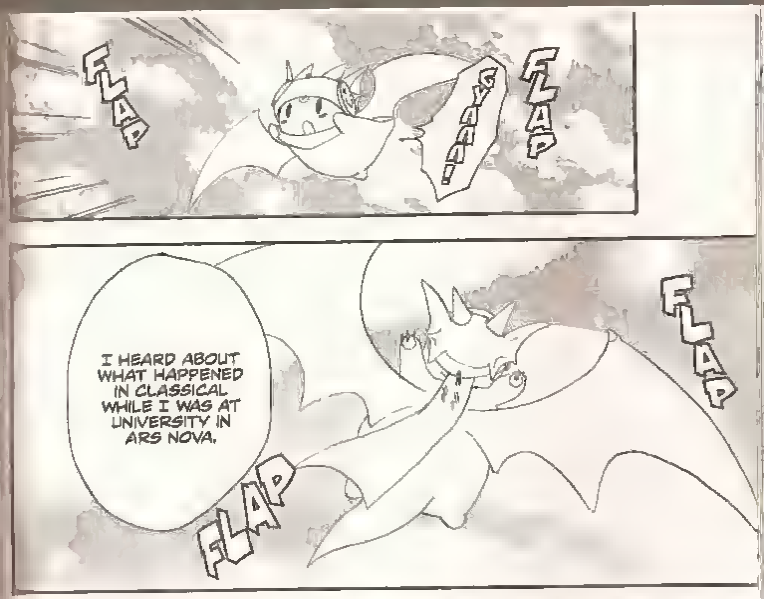

OF COURSE.
ONLY AFTER GETTING THE KING'S LETTER DID I REALIZE HOW PRECIOUS YOU ARE TO ME, WALTZ...
I PROMISE NOT TO BE SELFISH ANYMORE... SO WILL YOU ALWAYS STAY BY MY SIDE?
KANON ..

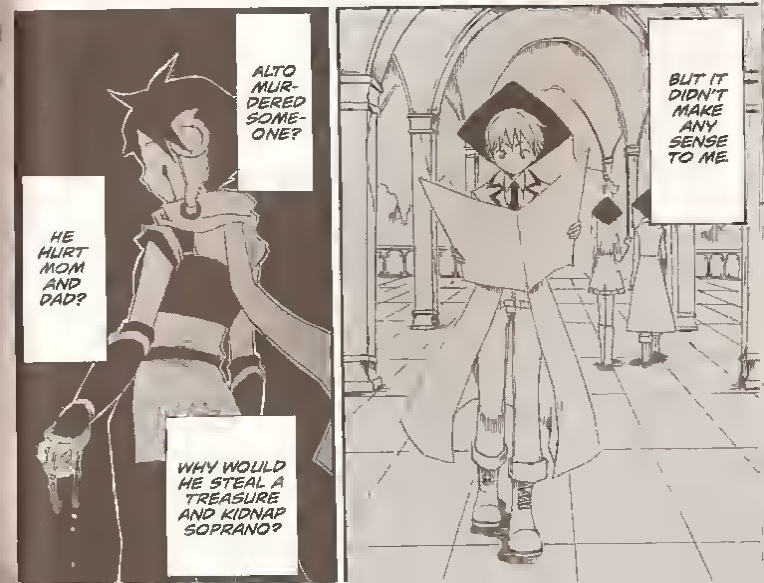

I WONDER WHY KING GLANZEND WANTED ME TO GIVE HIM THE MEDLEY...WHEN FOR SO MANY YEARS...
.. THERE'S BEEN A TACIT UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE COUNTRIES THAT HAVE ONE OF THE SHARDS, THAT EVEN THE NAME IS NOT TO BE SPOKEN..
FLAP
FLAP
WELL, THEY'RE GONE...

THESE PAST FEW MONTHS, IT FEELS LIKE THE MEOLEY HAS BEEN CALLING OUT TO SOME-THING.
SOMETHING MUST HAVE HAPPENED IN CLASSICAL...

THAT'S RIGHT. IT'S SAFE RIGHT HERE, WHERE IT'S ALWAYS BEEN.
I'M GLAD I DIDN'T HAVE TO HAND OVER THE MEDLEY...
KANON ...
WALTZ...

I JUST COULDN'T BELIEVE THAT OUR SERIOUS-TO-A-FAULT ALTO WOULD DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT!
KLEZMER...
...AND WHEN WE CAME BACK, ALTO WAS SUDDENLY A CRIMINAL!
THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT, TOO! WHEN THEY HELD THAT CEREMONY, ENKA AND I WERE OFF ON A MISSION...
BUT MOST OF ALL, HE HAD A WEIRD EGG OR SOMETHING IMPLANTED IN HIS LEFT HAND.
THAT DIGNIFIED AIR HE ALWAYS HAD WAS GONE AND IN ITS PLACE WAS A COLDNESS.
AND SOMETHING WAS STRANGE ABOUT THE KING AFTER THE CEREMONY
THEY ALL CHANGED BECAUSE OF US.
ROOO OA LR RRR
IT'S LIKE THE KING... INFECTED THEM SOMEHOW.
THE QUEEN, ALTERNA AND EURO BEHAVED THE SAME WAY.


FLAP
FLAP
FLAP
I HEARD ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED IN CLASSICAL WHILE I WAS AT UNIVERSITY IN ARS NOVA.
FLAP
FLAP


ALTO MURDERED SOMEONE?
HE HURT MOM AND DAD?
WHY WOULD HE STEAL A TREASURE AND KIDNAP SOPRANO?
BUT IT DIDN'T MAKE ANY SENSE TO ME.

TRICKLE TRICKLE
ENKA ...
I'M THE LEADER OF THE QUINTET, YET I WASN'T THERE TO HELP YOU. I AM SO SORRY.
I CAN'T IMAGINE HOW MUCH YOU'VE BEEN HURT.
...BY THE FALSE CHARGES AND BEING STRIPPED OF YOUR POSITION.
WAAAAAH WAAAAH
ALTO ...
THANK YOU! JUST HEARING THOSE WORDS MAKES ME FEEL...
FWI
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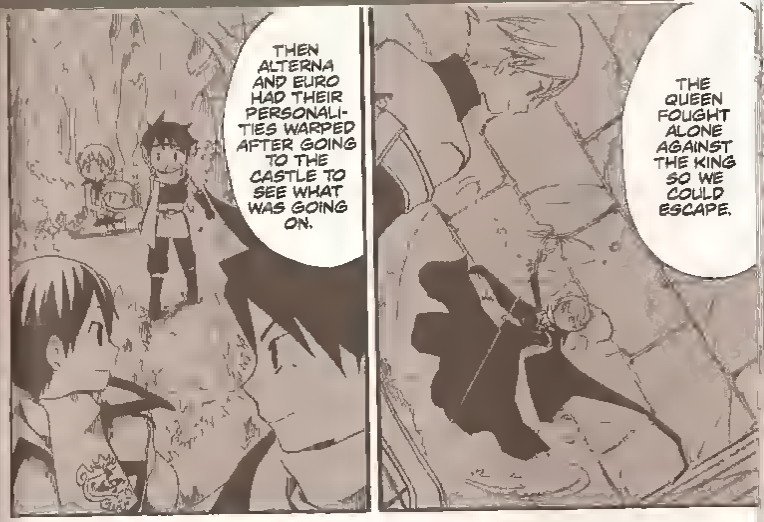
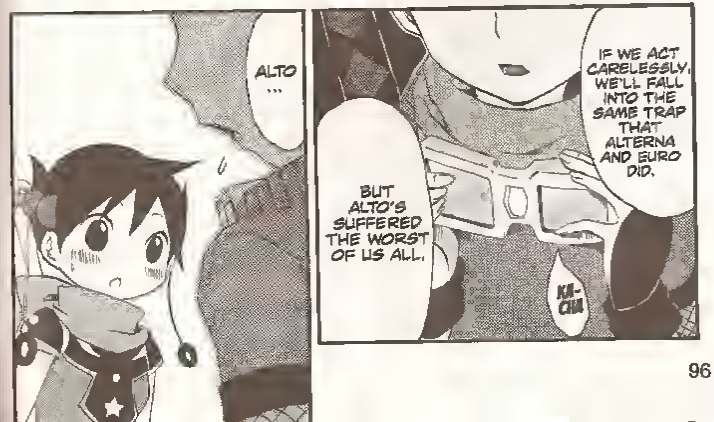
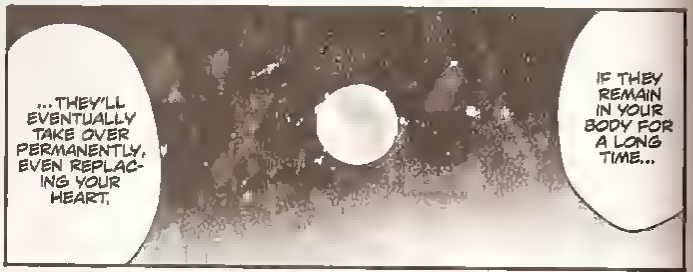
EH...? WHAT AM I ANNOYED FOR?

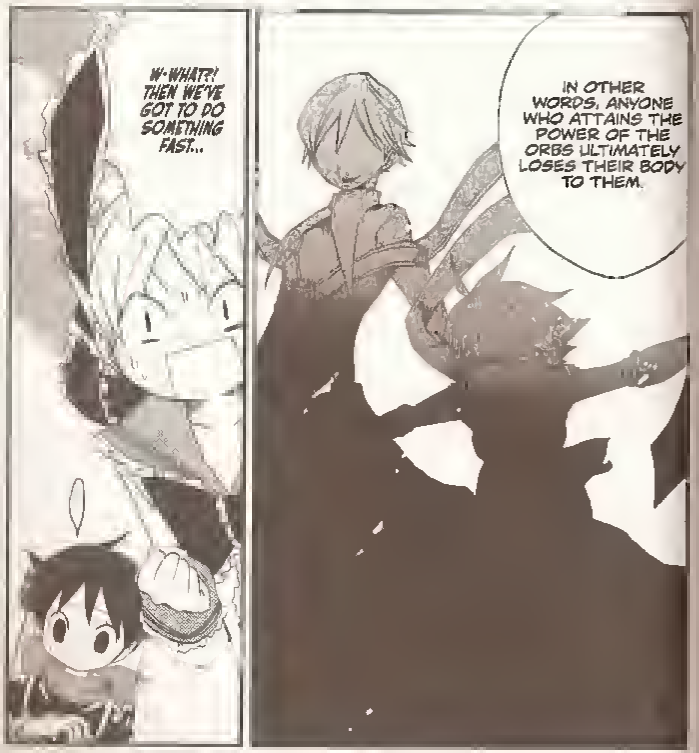
KA-CHA
OH, THAT... WELL...
PUSH
WHAT I WANNA KNOW IS WHY YOU WERE WITH MY BROTHER, ENKA


THEN ALTERNA AND EURO HAD THEIR PERSONALITIES WARPED AFTER GOING TO THE CASTLE TO SEE WHAT WAS GOING ON.
THE QUEEN FOUGHT ALONE AGAINST THE KING SO WE COULD ESCAPE.

THAT SEEMS LIKELY.
LIKE EURO BEFORE...
UWAA
TH-THEN MAYBE WE'VE BEEN WARPED, TOO...?

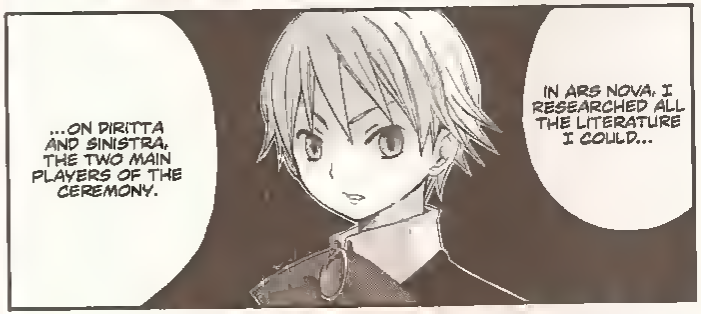

ALTO ...
IF WE ACT CARELESSLY, WE'LL FALL INTO THE SAME TRAP THAT ALTERNA AND EURO DID.
BUT ALTO'S SUFFERED THE WORST OF US ALL.
KA-CHA


IF THEY REMAIN IN YOUR BODY FOR A LONG TIME...
...THEY'LL EVENTUALLY TAKE OVER PERMANENTLY, EVEN REPLACING YOUR HEART.

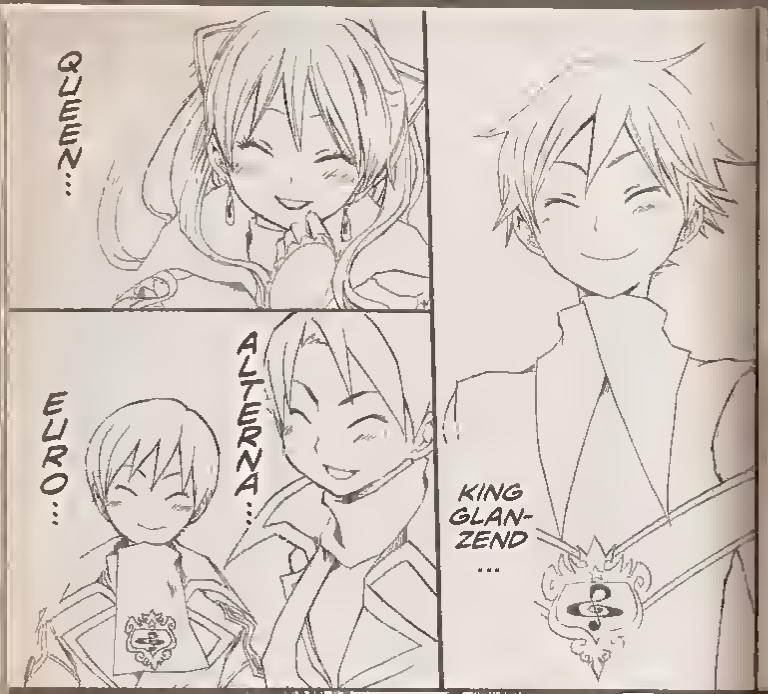

IN OTHER WORDS, ANYONE WHO ATTAINS THE POWER OF THE ORBS ULTIMATELY LOSES THEIR BODY TO THEM.
W-WHAT?! THEN WE'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING FAST...

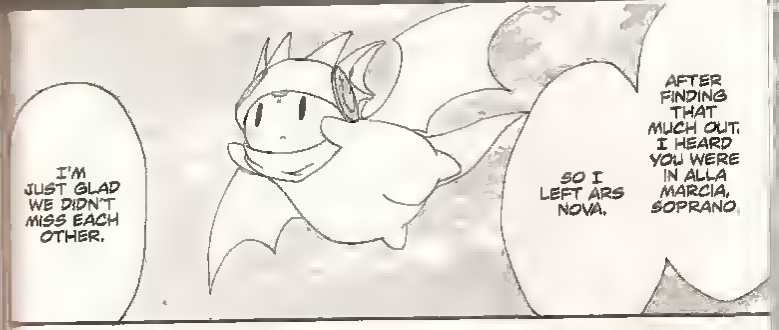
AFTER WHAT HAPPENED AT THE CASTLE, I TOOK CERTAIN STEPS
CERTAIN STEPS?

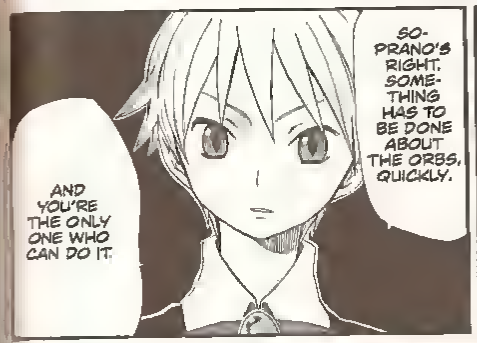
WE WERE CORRESPONDING WITH EACH OTHER...
TRADING INFORMATION ABOUT DAD...


IN ARS NOVA, I RESEARCHED ALL THE LITERATURE I COULD...
...ON DIRITTA AND SINISTRA, THE TWO MAIN PLAYERS OF THE CEREMONY.

I RAN INTO TROUBLE A COUPLE OF TIMES, GETTING DISCOVERED WHILE PERUSING FORBIDDEN TOMES.
HA HA HA
IT'S EASIER WHEN YOU'RE A KID AND SOMEBODY GET'S MAD AT YOU...
SILENCE
BUT I LEARNED SOMETHING DISTRESSING ABOUT THE TWO ORBS.
DISTRESSING?

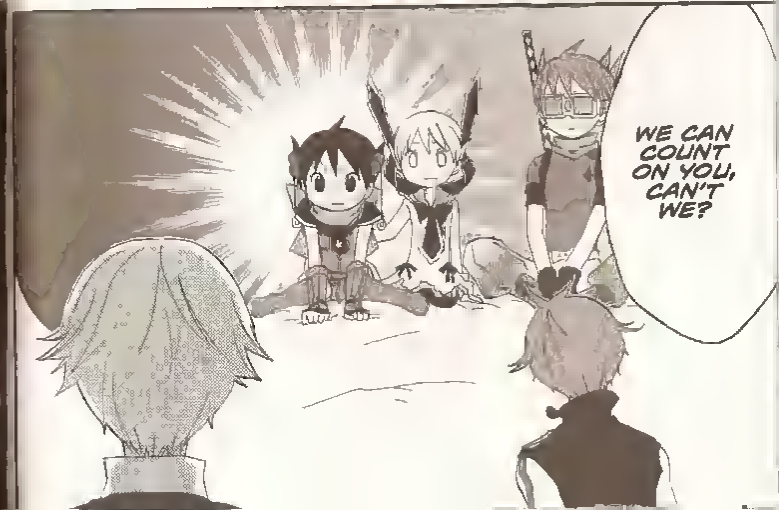

QUEEN...
ALTERNA...
EURO...
KING GLAN-ZEND ...


I'M JUST GLAD WE DIDN'T MISS EACH OTHER.
SO I LEFT ARS NOVA.
AFTER FINDING THAT MUCH OUT, I HEARD YOU WERE IN ALLA MARCIA, SOPRANO.

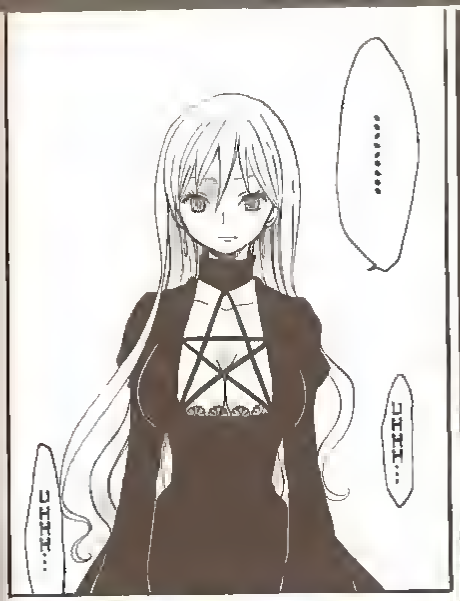

AND YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN DO IT.
SO-PRANO'S RIGHT. SOME-THING HAS TO BE DONE ABOUT THE ORBS, QUICKLY.

ALTO...

AT LAST, THERE'S SOME-THING I CAN DO TO HELP!!
YES!


WE CAN COUNT ON YOU, CAN'T WE?

ALTO...
...IS ON...
...HER WAY HERE.


.....
UHH...
UHH...

UHHH...
HUFF
UHH...

OP11: Classical Trance

I'M HOME, BUT IT FEELS LIKE A DIFFERENT PLACE...
I-IS IT JUST ME OR IS THE CASTLE UNN...TURALLY QUIET?
AND ALL THE LIGHTS ARE OUT...
DON'T TELL ME NOBODY'S HERE...?
THE KING IS GONE, TOO...?!
DOESN'T FEEL LIKE ANYONE'S AROUND...

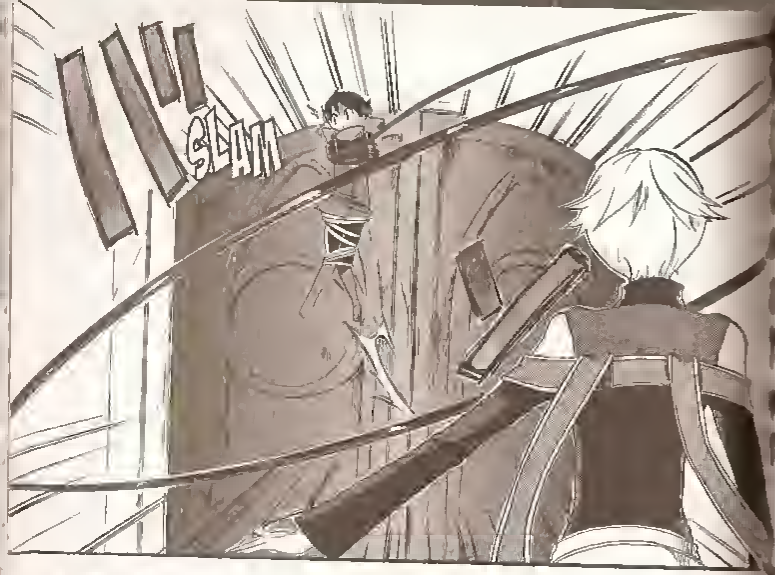
TA
TA
TA
TA
TA
TA
I'VE GOT A BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS...
LET'S HURRY UP AND FIND MY FATHER.
IS THIS REALLY CLASSICAL CASTLE?!
THIS DARK...THIS COLD...
TH
AH!
ALTO!
UP
ST

ALTO...

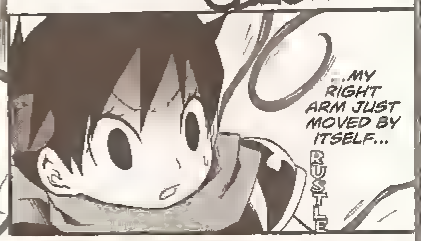
I HAD FAITH THAT ALTO WOULD PROTECT YOU.
SOPRANO
THANK GOODNESS! YOU SEEM ALL RIGHT...
MOTHER...
MOTHER~
GASP
SO... PRA-NO ...?
ALTO... THANK YOU FOR KEEPING SOPRANO SAFE...
YOUR HIGHNESS...

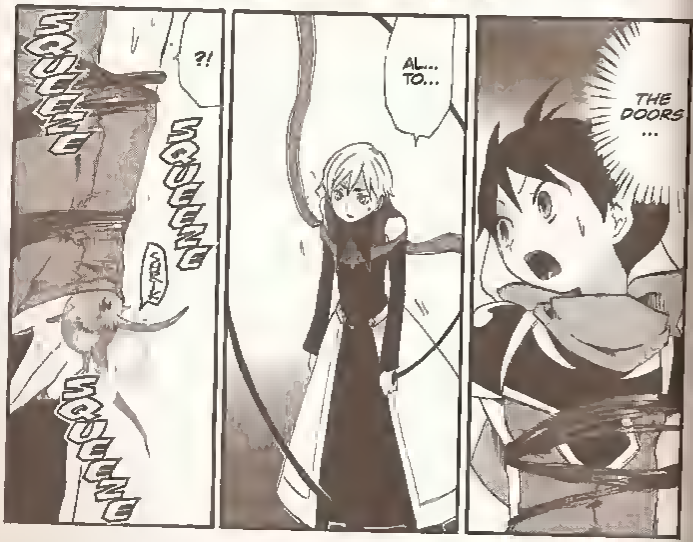
ALTERNA!!
OUCH...
W-WHAT?
MOTHER!
WHAT HAP-PENED HERE...?
SHIRO
ALTERNA?!
THE QUEEN!!
MOTHER!
SHAKE
SHAKE

...
ALTO ...?
YOU CAME FOR ME...
PLEASE, COME TO YOUR SENSES!
TA
KING GLANZEND!!
!!
SWISH
KING GLANZEND!!
MAYBE IT'S A SIGN THAT DAD'S BODY IS ABOUT TO BE FULLY POSSESSED BY SINISTRA.
THE ENTITY COULD BE MARSHALLING UP ALL OF ITS COLLECTED POWER FOR ONE FINAL ASSAULT ON HIM.
MUST HAVE HAPPENED HERE, YES.
PRINCE, THIS ISN'T THE HOLLOW QUEEN THAT GAVE US OUR ORDERS BEFORE. WHILE WE WERE GONE, SOMETHING...
SEE, RIGHT NOW, HIS PSYCHE HAS BEEN DRIVEN INTO A CORNER.
IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE IT'S COMPLETELY OBLITERATED.
THE KING...
ALTO?!
TA TA
...WILL CEASE TO EXIST!!


SLAM

WHIP
CHOK
CHOK
CHOK
CHOK


...MY RIGHT ARM JUST MOVED BY ITSELF...
RUSTLE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SQUEEZE
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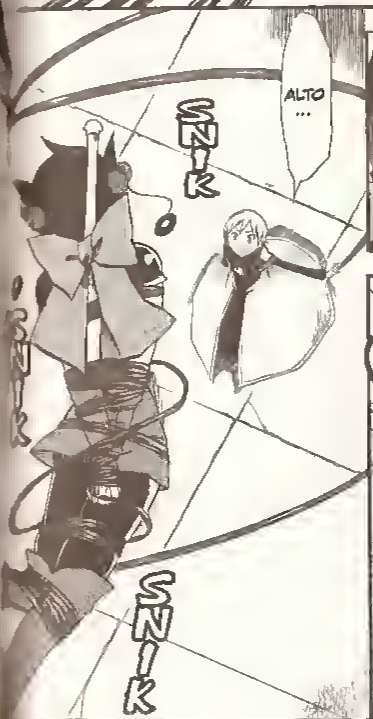
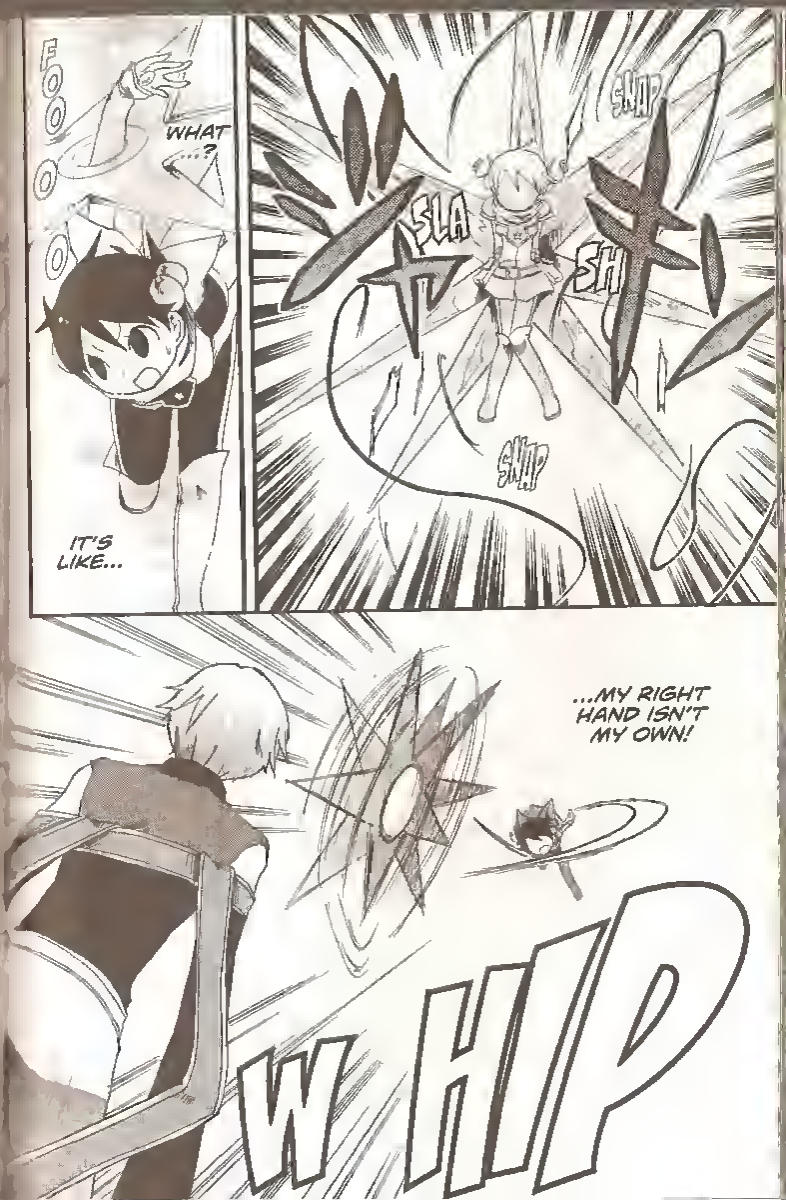
AL... TO...
THE DOORS ...

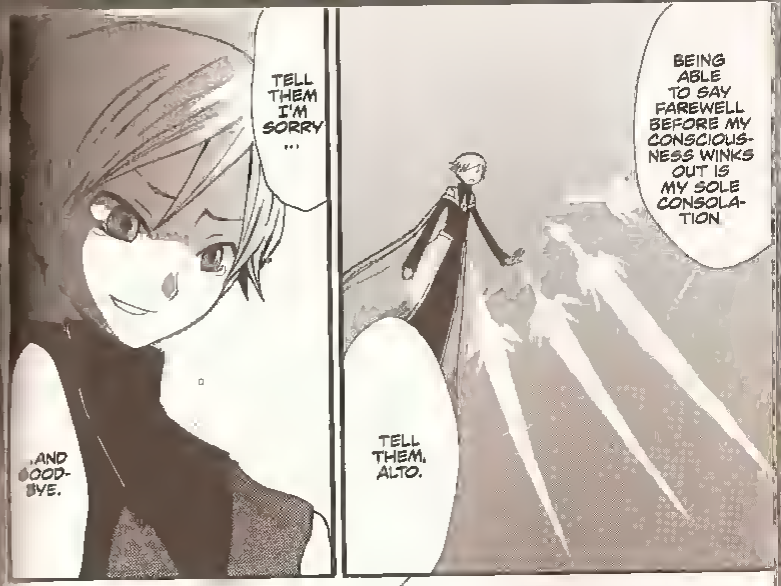

ALTO ...
SNIK
SNIK
SNIK

SQU
EEZE

.....
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
KRAK
I DIDN'T WANT TO SAY GOODBYE LIKE THIS, BUT THERE'S NOTHING FOR IT. .
I'M SORRY...MY CONSCIOUSNESS ONLY EXISTS IN ONE SMALL POCKET OF MY MIND.
AT THE MOMENT, MY MIND AND BODY ARE COMPLETELY SEPARATE.
HUFF
HUFF
ALTO...

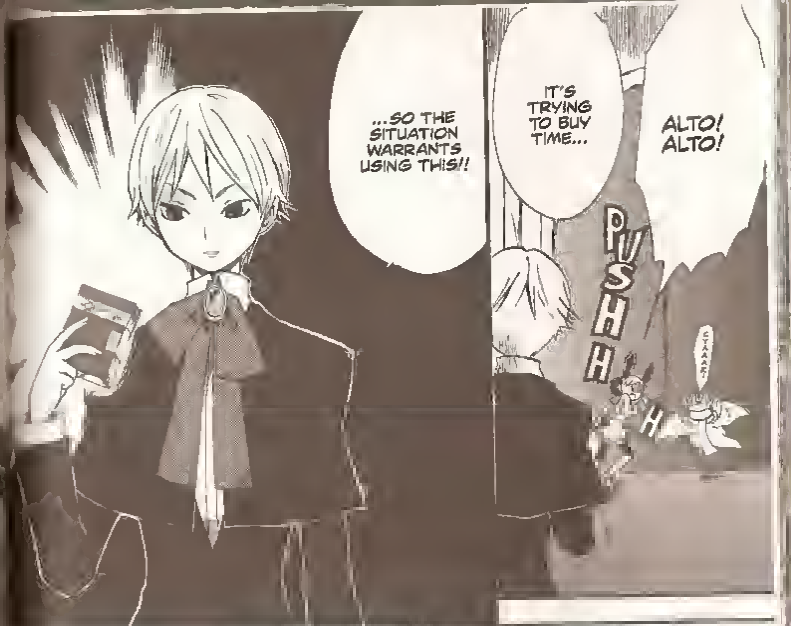

FOOO
WHAT...?
IT'S LIKE...
SWIP
SLA
SH
SWIP
...MY RIGHT HAND ISN'T MY OWN!
WHIP

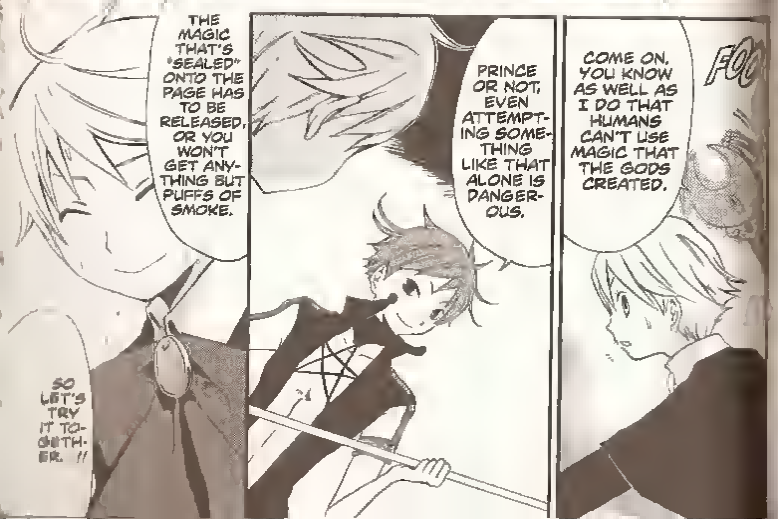
...I DON'T WANT TO HEAR!!!!
TA
TA
DIRITTA, LEND ME STRENGTH!!

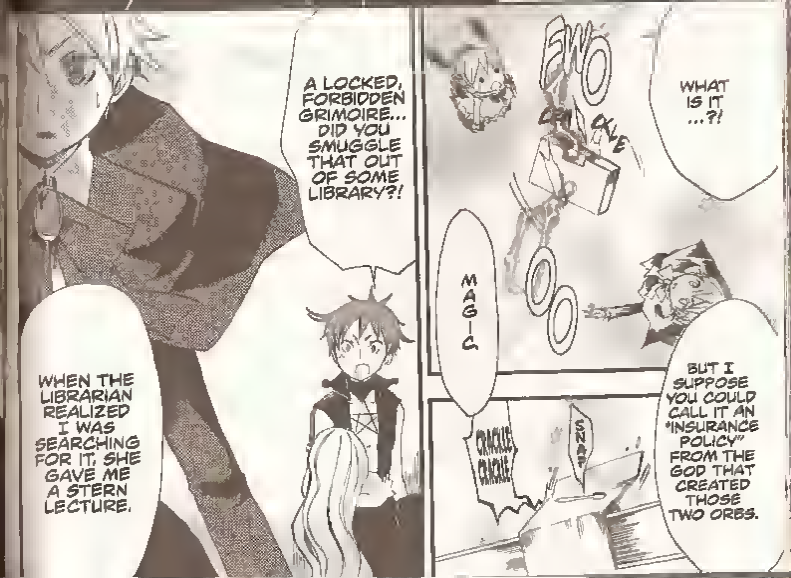

TELL THEM I'M SORRY...
...AND GOOD-BYE.
BEING ABLE TO SAY FAREWELL BEFORE MY CONSCIOUS-NESS WINKS OUT IS MY SOLE CONSOLA-TION.
TELL THEM, ALTO.

...BUT THAT'S ONE ORDER...
FWOO
YOU ARE MY LIEGE...
NO!

"RUINS TRANCE!"
IT'S 300 PAGES INTO THE BOOK...A SPELL THAT DESTROYS THE ORBS!
GROHHH
RRR

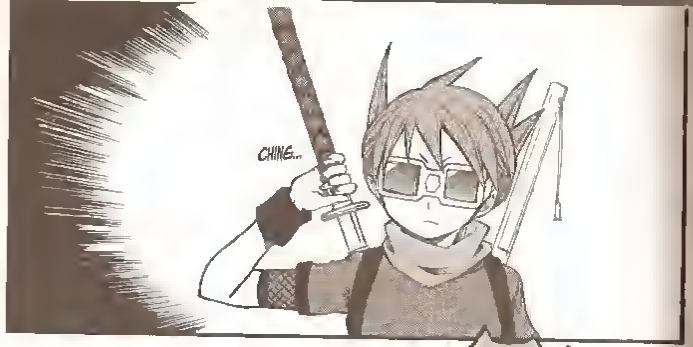

...SO THE SITUATION WARRANTS USING THIS!!
IT'S TRYING TO BUY TIME...
ALTO! ALTO!
PUSHH
H
STAAAR!


THE MAGIC THAT'S "SEALED" ONTO THE PAGE HAS TO BE RELEASED, OR YOU WON'T GET ANYTHING BUT PUFFS OF SMOKE.
PRINCE OR NOT, EVEN ATTEMPTING SOMETHING LIKE THAT ALONE IS DANGEROUS.
COME ON, YOU KNOW AS WELL AS I DO THAT HUMANS CAN'T USE MAGIC THAT THE GODS CREATED.
FOO
SO LET'S TRY IT TOGETHER. !!

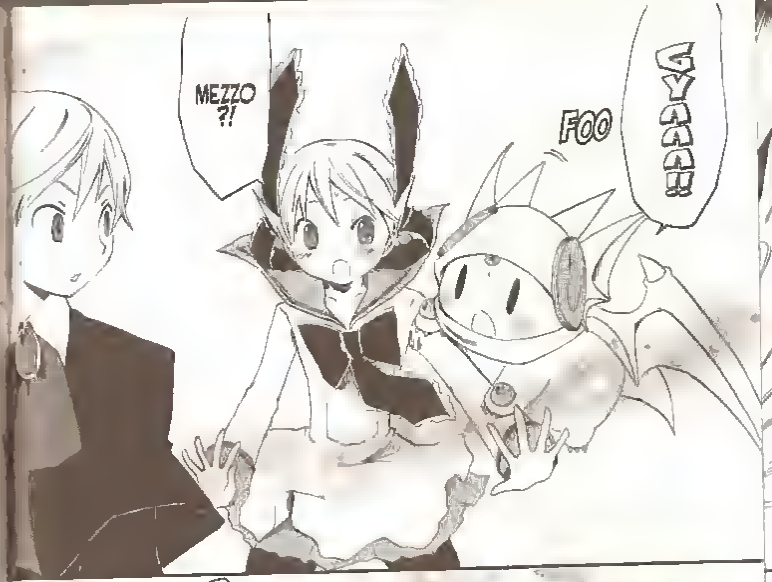

A LOCKED, FORBIDDEN GRIMOIRE... DID YOU SMUGGLE THAT OUT OF SOME LIBRARY?!
WHEN THE LIBRARIAN REALIZED I WAS SEARCHING FOR IT, SHE GAVE ME A STERN LECTURE.
FWO
CRACKLE
WHAT IS IT ...?!
MAGIC
CRACKLE CRACKLE
SNAP
BUT I SUPPOSE YOU COULD CALL IT AN "INSURANCE POLICY" FROM THE GOD THAT CREATED THOSE TWO ORBS.

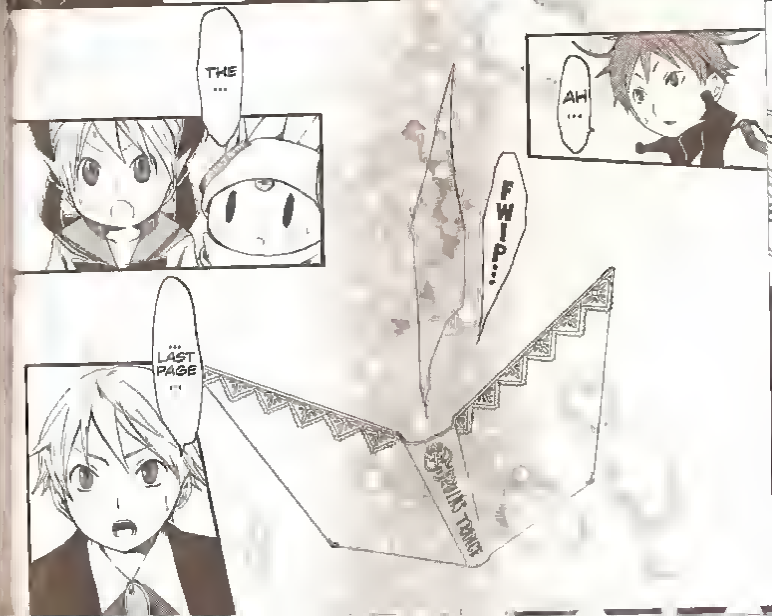
NNGH
ALTO... FATHER...
BUT I...
I WANT TO HELP THEM, TOO!
SO-PRANO...
HIS POWER IS INCREDIBLE
ABSORBING THE POWER IS EXHAUSTING...
UUH...
ONE MORE PAGE TO GO...
BOOK DOESN'T WANNA GIVE IT UP

GRAVE AND KLEZMER...
...ARE BOTH WORKING DESPERATELY...
?!
KOO AUUR


CHING...

AFATURALLE DIRITTA SINISTRA!
CON-TUTTALA FORZA!


GYAGH!
FOO
MEZZO ?!


THE ...
AH ...
FWIP...
... LAST PAGE ...
SPRING TRAINING

WHO
OH!
?!
ALTO!
PRINCE SOPRANO!!
EVERY-ONE, NOW...

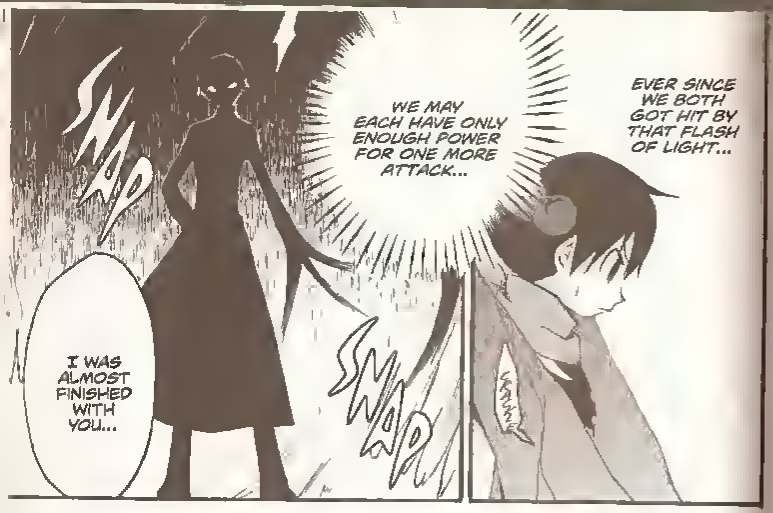
ALMOST THERE...
WITH THIS MAGIC, WE'LL WIPE OUT...
...THE BITTER EVENTS THAT MADE ALTO CRY...
...MY OLD, OVERLY DEPEN-DENT SELF...
---AND MOST OF ALL, SINISTRA!
---DIRITTA---

BREAK IT!!!!
RUINS TRANCE!!
WHAT IS THIS?!

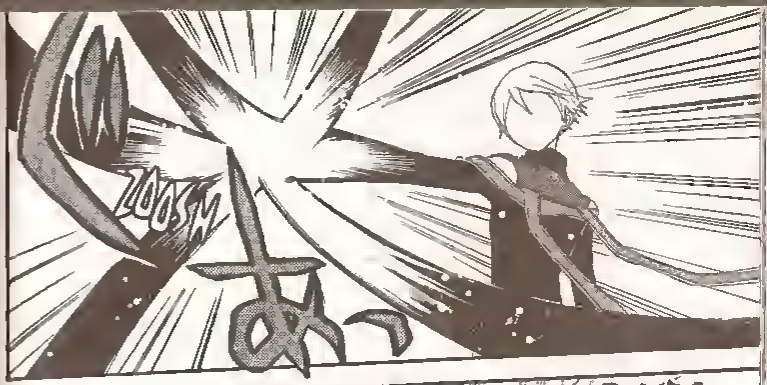
OP12: Crossroad of Dreams

AND FOR THOSE TWO, WHO POSSESS THE ORBS...
...THIS IS THE MOMENT OF TRUTH.
KRNCH
KRNCH
WE'VE HASTENED THE OUTCOME.
BOTH ORBS WILL DO ANYTHING TO WIN...

HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
GRAVE... DID WE DO IT...? ARE THE ORBS...?
I THINK MOST OF THE POWER WAS SUCKED OUT OF THE ORBS...
IF THEY LOSE THEIR PHYSICAL FORMS NOW, THEY'LL CEASE TO EXIST.
FOR THE TWO ORBS...
...THIS IS THE FINAL BATTLE.
TOKYO
AIR


SWAP
I WAS ALMOST FINISHED WITH YOU...
WE MAY EACH HAVE ONLY ENOUGH POWER FOR ONE MORE ATTACK...
SWAP
EVER SINCE WE BOTH GOT HIT BY THAT FLASH OF LIGHT...

I'LL MURDER ...
WHIP
BUT THEN THE RUINS TRANCE... CONFOUND THEM...
WHIP
...ALL OF THE...
...CRAFTY LITTLE MISCREANTS...


WOOSH

CRUMBLE
CRUMBLE

!!
BA
M

...IS WEAKENING.
MY POWER...

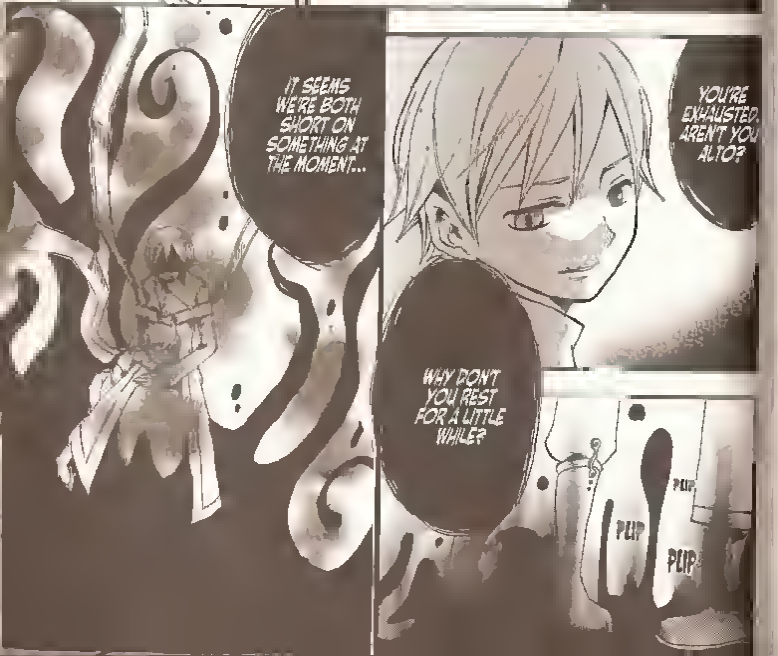
SSSSS
...MAKE ANY MORE WEAPONS TO FIGHT THIS.
.....
KING GLANZEND CAN'T TAKE MUCH MORE EITHER ...
PANT
PANT
IF I HAVE ANY MORE POWER LEFT FROM MY OWN LIFE...
...I'LL USE IT TO PUT AN END TO SINISTRA ONCE AND FOR ALL.
DRIP
DRIP
COME ON...BECOME MY FINAL WEAPON...

BOOM
SHUDDER
...RIGHT HERE!!!
WHAT
RATTLE RATTLE
THEY CAN'T..
THEY STILL HAVE ENOUGH POWER FOR THAT?!
GRAVE!
UH-NU
PANT

...AS LONG AS IT CAN PIERCE SINISTRA....
SHUNK
SMALL IS FINE...

WHOOSH
ALTO...!
CHAK
KNNK
KNNK

IT WAS ...
!!
NO, YOUR MAJ-ESTY ...
AND NOT ONLY FOR YOU, ALTO, BUT THE OTHERS AS WELL, THIS HAS BEEN MY FAILURE AS A KING...
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT.
... HUH?


IT SEEMS WE'RE BOTH SHORT ON SOMETHING AT THE MOMENT...
YOU'RE EXHAUSTED, AREN'T YOU, ALTO?
WHY DON'T YOU REST FOR A LITTLE WHILE?
PUP
PUP
PUP

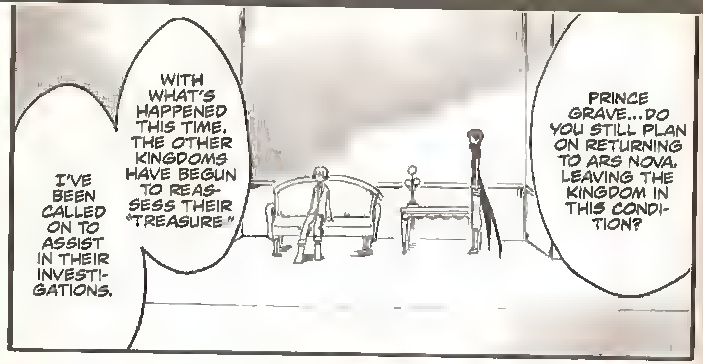
I WANT TO SLEEP HERE LIKE THIS...
...FOREVER.

I'M TIRED...

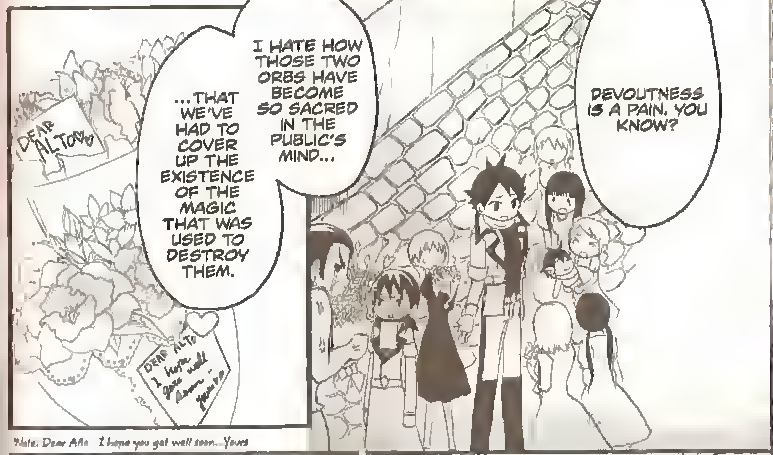
KING GLEN-ZAND?!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

IT MUST HAVE BEEN HARD.
I PUT YOU THROUGH A LOT OF GRIEF.

ALTO...


I'VE BEEN CALLED ON TO ASSIST IN THEIR INVESTIGATIONS.
WITH WHAT'S HAPPENED THIS TIME, THE OTHER KINGDOMS HAVE BEGUN TO REASSESS THEIR "TREASURE."
PRINCE GRAVE... DO YOU STILL PLAN ON RETURNING TO ARS NOVA, LEAVING THE KINGDOM IN THIS CONDITION?

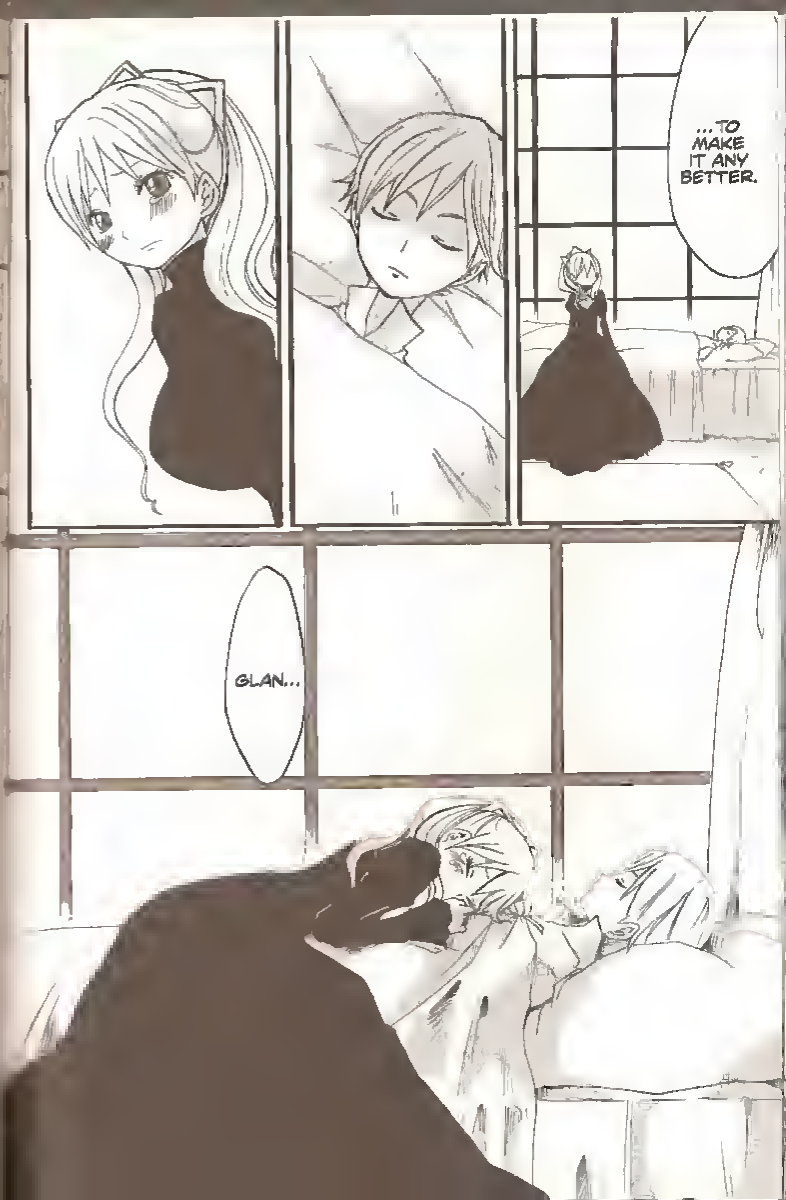
WELL, I'M JUST AS HELPLESS AS YOU ARE...
...AND TRY AS I MIGHT, I'M NOT MUCH COMFORT TO HER.
I FEEL SORRY FOR THE QUEEN, HAVING BOTH OF HER SONS LEAVE HER AT A TIME LIKE THIS...

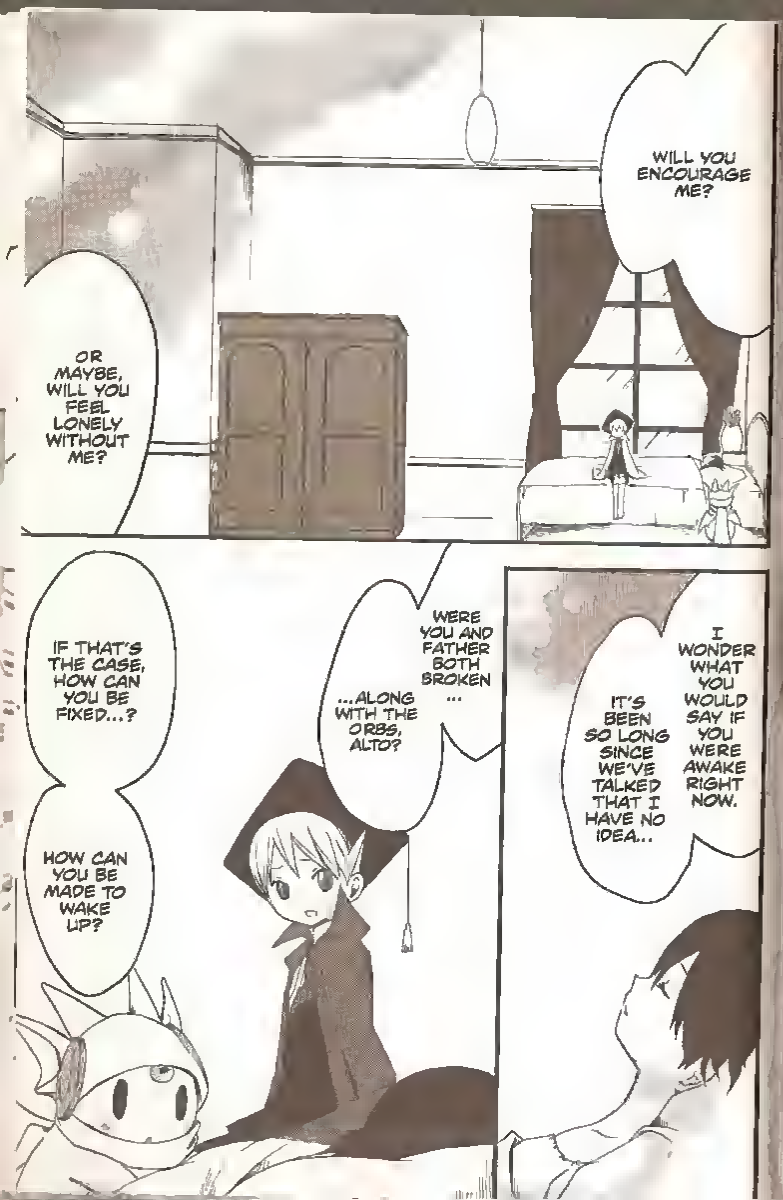

DEVOUTNESS IS A PAIN, YOU KNOW?
I HATE HOW THOSE TWO ORBS HAVE BECOME SO SACRED IN THE PUBLIC'S MIND...
...THAT WE'VE HAD TO COVER UP THE EXISTENCE OF THE MAGIC THAT WAS USED TO DESTROY THEM.
DEAR ALTO,
DEAR ALTO
I hope you get well soon. Yours

*Note: Dear Alto I hope you get well soon...Yours

"KING GLANZEND AND HIS RETAINER, ALTO, STILL COMATOSE"...
WITHOUT ANY MENTION OF THE ORBS.
"CLASSICAL KINGDOM ATTACKED BY ANCIENT BLACK MAGIC."
AS A RESULT, WE GET THIS...

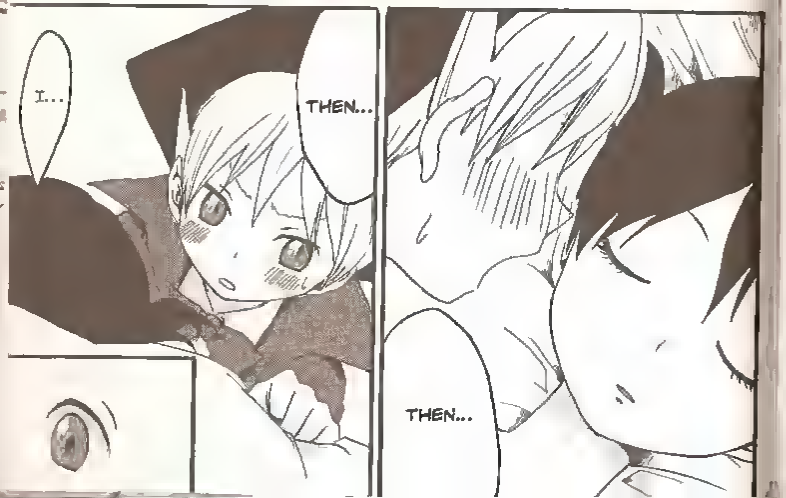
TAK
TAK
HELLO?
BUT YOU COULDN'T OPEN THE DOOR WITH YOUR HANDS FULL!
KYU-CHU
YOU'RE HERE TO VISIT ALTO, TOO?
PYAAA
PYAAA


...TO MAKE IT ANY BETTER.
GLAN...


WILL YOU ENCOURAGE ME?
OR MAYBE, WILL YOU FEEL LONELY WITHOUT ME?
I WONDER WHAT YOU WOULD SAY IF YOU WERE AWAKE RIGHT NOW.
IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE WE'VE TALKED THAT I HAVE NO IDEA...
WERE YOU AND FATHER BOTH BROKEN ...
...ALONG WITH THE ORBS, ALTO?
IF THAT'S THE CASE, HOW CAN YOU BE FIXED...?
HOW CAN YOU BE MADE TO WAKE UP?

THEY'RE REALLY STARTING TO...
..PILE UP HERE ...
THAT'S RIGHT. EVER SINCE WHAT HAPPENED, YOU'VE BEEN GIVING HER HALF OF YOUR SNACK EVERY DAY.
CAN'T LET MYSELF CRY...
YOU'RE A GOOD FRIEND, MEZZO. BUT I BET WHEN ALTO WAKES UP, SHE'LL HAVE A HARD TIME EATING ALL THESE.
AND I THINK THIS IS THE BEST WAY FOR ME TO CHANGE MYSELF...
I'VE THOUGHT A LOT SINCE THAT DAY, CONSULTED MY MOTHER AND BROTHER FOR ADVICE, TOO...
HEY, ALTO? I HAVEN'T SAID ANYTHING 'TIL NOW, BUT...I'M GOING AWAY TO SCHOOL IN ARS NOVA.

AND WHEN I GET STRONG ENOUGH TO BE ABLE TO PROTECT YOU, I'LL COME HOME.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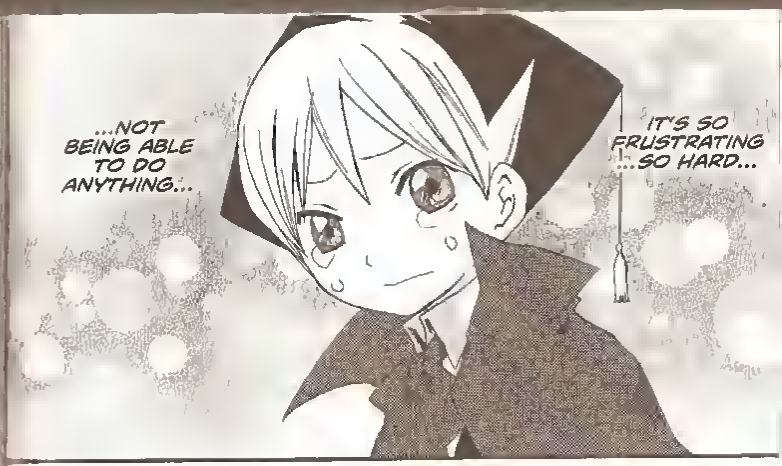
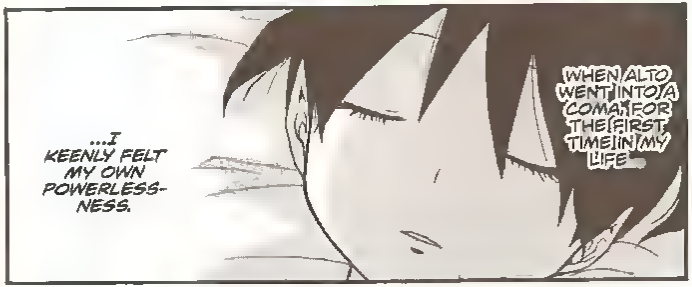
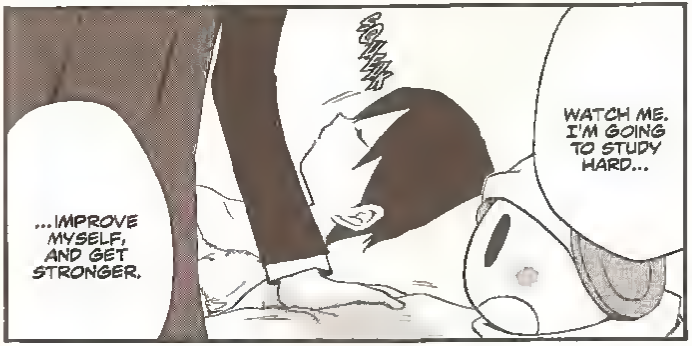
THEN...
THEN...

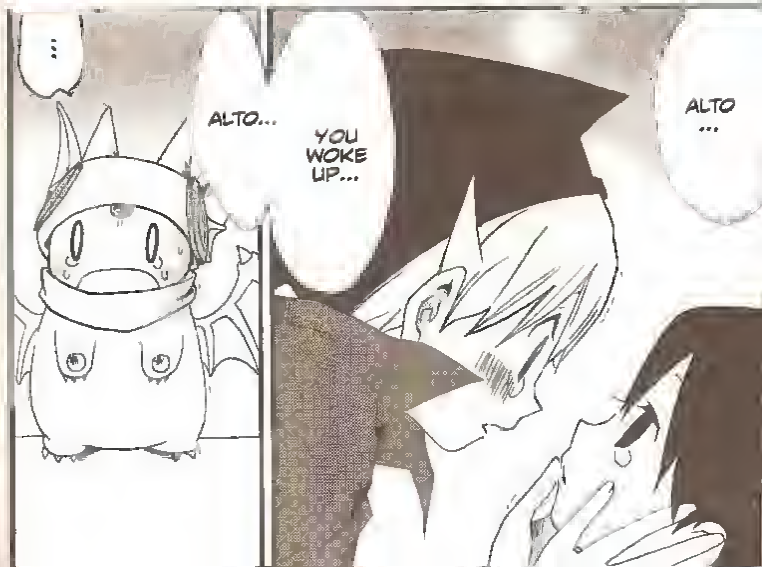

...NOT BEING ABLE TO DO ANYTHING...
IT'S SO FRUSTRATING ...SO HARD...


...I KEENLY FELT MY OWN POWERLESS-NESS.
WHEN ALTO WENT INTO A COMA FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE...


...IMPROVE MYSELF, AND GET STRONGER.
SWISH
WATCH ME. I'M GOING TO STUDY HARD...

I COULD FINALLY HEAR YOUR VOICE...

I'LL BE LONELY .. WITHOUT YOU.
BUT ...
... KNOW-ING YOU, PRINCE, I'M SURE ...
... YOU WILL DO FINE.


ALTO ...
ALTO... YOU WOKE UP...
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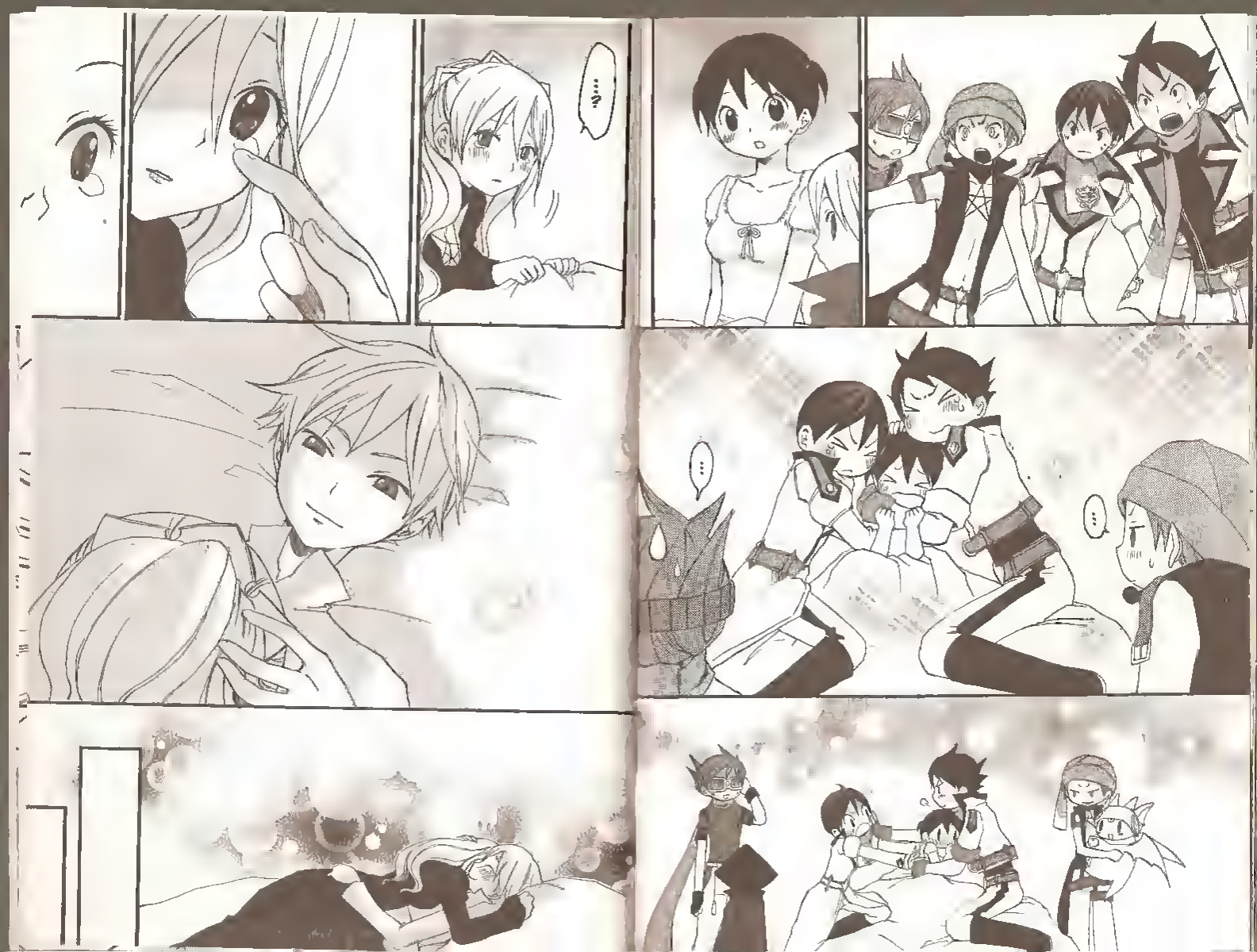
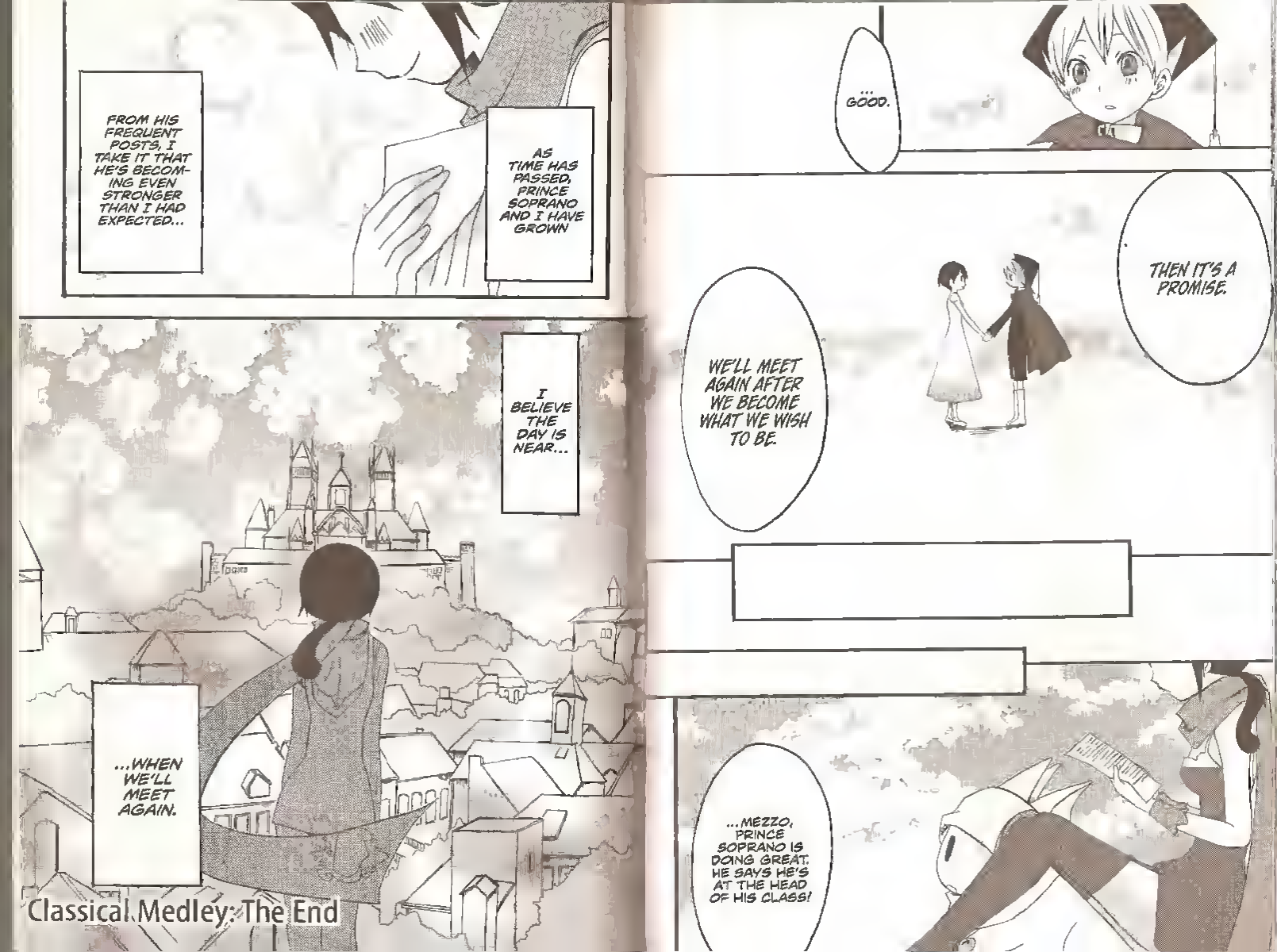


I'M NOT LOSING HER TO ANYBODY IN THE QUINTET!
?
LIKE I SAID BEFORE, I'M GONNA GET INCREDIBLY STRONG... A-AND REALLY HANDSOME ...
AND THEN I'M COMING HOME, OKAY?!
OKAY, ALTO ?!?
O-OKAY ...
TW
ITCH
PRRR
... I'LL BECOME THE LEADER OF THE QUINTET WHILE WAITING FOR YOU TO COME HOME!
THEN, FOR MY PART...

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT NOW?
YES, FOR SOME REASON, I FEEL EXTREMELY REFRESHED.
WHAT I CAN'T GET OVER IS HOW YOU LOOK IN FORMAL WEAR, PRINCE.
AWW, COME ON..
HONEST... I'M SO MOVED, I CAN'T STOP CRYING.
BLUSH
YOU LOOK SO IMPRESSIVE...
JEEZ, IT'S JUST A SCHOOL UNIFORM..
PRINCE! PRINCE!
IF YOU DON'T GET BACK HOME SOON, ALTO'S GONNA BE SNATCHED UP BY SOMEBODY IN THE QUINTET!
SO STUDY HARD!
?!
ALTO!!
TWITCH
YES ?!


FROM HIS FREQUENT POSTS, I TAKE IT THAT HE'S BECOMING EVEN STRONGER THAN I HAD EXPECTED...
AS TIME HAS PASSED, PRINCE SOPRANO AND I HAVE GROWN
I BELIEVE THE DAY IS NEAR...
...WHEN WE'LL MEET AGAIN.
...GOOD.
THEN IT'S A PROMISE.
WE'LL MEET AGAIN AFTER WE BECOME WHAT WE WISH TO BE.
...MEZZO, PRINCE SOPRANO IS DOING GREAT. HE SAYS HE'S AT THE HEAD OF HIS CLASS!

Classical Medley: The End

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WHAT'S WRONG WITH IT? THERE'S NO WEAR AND TEAR OF TRAVELING ON THE GROUND AND IT'S CUTE TO BOOT!
Chie?
RRRR...THAT KLEZMER! I DON'T KNOW WHY WE LISTENED TO HIM WHEN HE TOLD US TO RIDE IN THIS...IT'S EMBARRASSING!
CAN THIS REALLY MAKE IT TO MS. NOVA?
RIGHT THERE!
WHERE?
A BICYCLE'S FLYING THROUGH THE SKY AT AN INCREDIBLE SPEED!!!
THAT'S IMPOS-SIBLE.
WAAA! SOFRANO LOOK OUT THE WINDOW!!
STUPID CLASSICAL! WHY DOES IT HAVE TO BE SO FAR AWAY?!
I FORGOT ABOUT HIM.
HEY! YOU'RE GONNA MEET YOUR GLAN OR WHATEVER-HIS-NAME-IS SOON ENOUGH, SO QUIT BAWLIN'!
RATTLE
DAMMIT! WHY IS KANON MAKING ME DO THIS?!?
WHIZZZ
WHIZZZ

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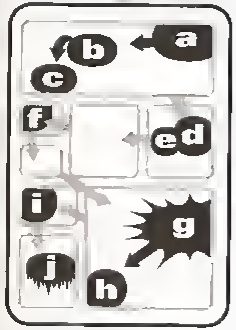

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